



Open House Public Meeting for
**ROUGH EDGE ROAD AT I-20
INTERCHANGE PROJECT**

State Project No. H.016421
Federal Aid Project No. H016421

Grace Point Baptist Church
216 Rough Edge Rd, Ruston, LA 71270

November 5, 2026
4:00-6:00 PM

Welcome to the Open House Public Meeting for the **Rough Edge Road at I-20 Interchange Project**. This project is sponsored by the City of Ruston, Lincoln Parish and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, and is funded by the Federal Highway Administration and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Meeting Agenda

- ▶ In addition to this presentation, the following stations are available:
 - ▶ A Sign-in and Handout Station
 - ▶ An Exhibit Station to review layouts of the proposed intersection improvements
 - ▶ The Environmental Station to review the environmental constraints
 - ▶ Right of Way Station to speak with Louisiana DOTD staff
 - ▶ A Comment Station for giving written and/or verbal comments (Written comments postmarked by December 5, 2026, will be included in the official project documentation)

Project team members are available to assist you and receive your comments.

In addition to this presentation, there are several additional stations available to provide project information. Please visit all stations, including the comment station, to learn about the project.

Project team members are those with name tags at the meeting. They are available at all stations to assist you with any questions you might have.

Objective of Public Meeting

- ▶ Provide information about the proposed project area
- ▶ Solicit comments about the project from the public and other interested parties

The purpose of tonight's meeting is to provide information about the proposed project area and to solicit comments about the project from the public and other interested parties.

Project Description

- ▶ Develop a new interchange and add entrance and exit ramps at the Rough Edge Road
- ▶ Widen Rough Edge Road to four lanes for a half mile through the intersection with I-20
- ▶ Intersection improvements at Rough Edge Road and US 80 and at US 80 and Beacon Light Road

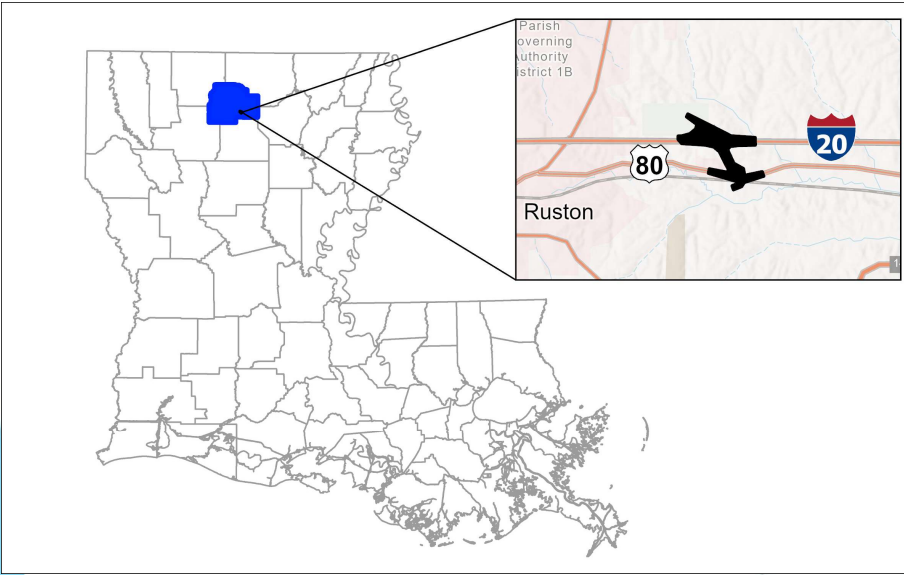
Project improvements include adding new eastbound and westbound entrance and exit ramps to I-20, widening Rough Edge Road through the interchange with I-20, and intersection improvements at Rough Edge Road, US 80 and its junction with Beacon Light Road.

Project Purpose and Need

Improve mobility and multi-modal connectivity between I-20 and the Ruston Industrial Park region.

The proposed project is needed to improve mobility and multi-modal connectivity between I-20 and Ruston Industrial Park.

Project Location



This slide shows the project location along I-20 and US 80 in Lincoln Parish.

Interchange Concepts Under Consideration I-20 at Rough Edge Road



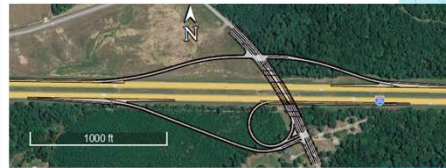
Existing



Full Diamond



Tight Diamond



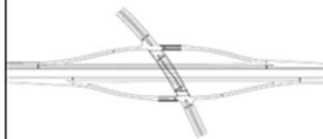
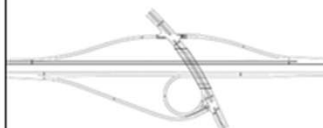
Southwest Cloverleaf

**Preliminary and subject to change*

For the interchange between Rough Edge Road and I-20, there are three alternatives under consideration: the full diamond, the tight diamond and a partial diamond with a partial cloverleaf in the southwest quadrant.

While the full and tight diamond are similar in configuration, the partial cloverleaf has a modification in the southwest quadrant for the exit ramp and a partial cloverleaf for the entrance ramp; there would be no ramps on the southeast quadrant.

The next slide details the impacts of each of these alternatives. Project staff are also available to provide additional information about each alternative.

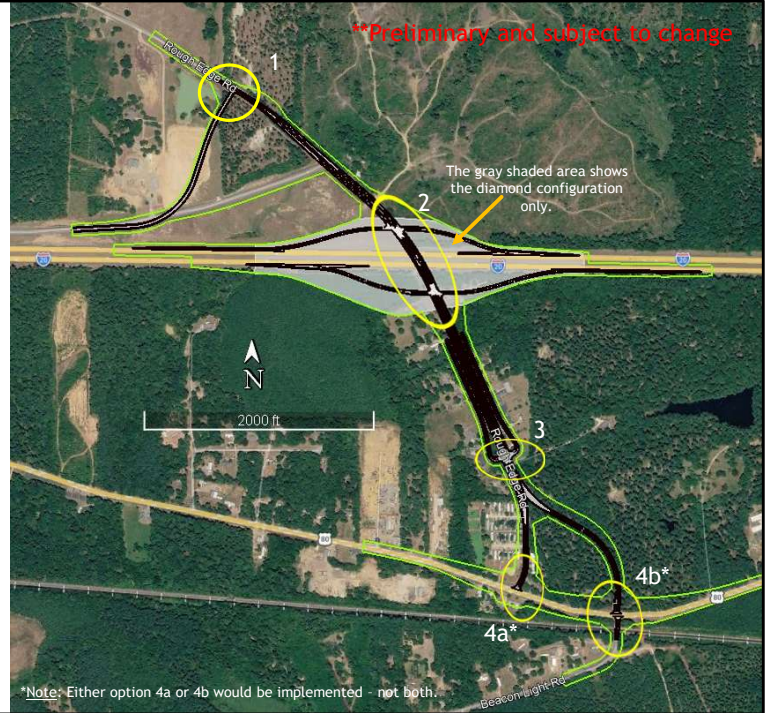
Tier 1 Alternative Analysis Screening Matrix I-20 at Rough Edge Rd				
Interchange Configurations		ROW	Cost	Environmental
Type				
Diamond		Medium	Low	Medium
Tight Diamond		Low	High	Low
Southwest Clover		Medium	Low	Low

This table compares the right-of-way, cost, and environmental impacts of each of these three alternatives. Please review the table on the slide to see the details of each alternative.

Project staff are available to discuss these alternatives with you and answer any questions you might have.

Intersection Concepts and Options

- ▶ Location 1
 - ▶ Stop Sign
 - ▶ Signal
- ▶ Location 2
 - ▶ Stop Sign
 - ▶ Signal
- ▶ Location 3
 - ▶ Stop Sign
- ▶ Location 4a
 - ▶ Signal
- ▶ Location 4b
 - ▶ Signal
 - ▶ Roundabout



Several intersection concepts are being evaluated. Stop signs are possible at locations 1, 2 and 3. At Location 3, a stop sign is the only alternative being considered. At Locations 1 and 2, traffic signals are also being considered.

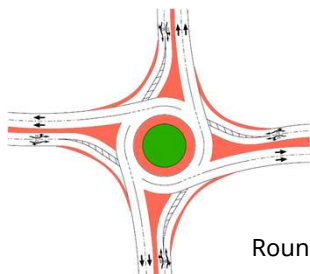
Improvements to US 80 are also under consideration. Location 4a would be controlled by a traffic signal. Location 4b would be as traffic signal or roundabout. The next slide provides more detail.

Please note that only 4a or 4b would be implemented and not both options. Also, only the diamond configuration is shown in the figure but the US 80 intersection options are the same under all three interchange alternatives.

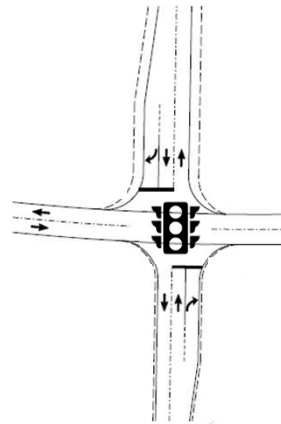
Intersection Concepts Under Consideration US 80 at Rough Edge Road



Existing



Roundabout



Signal Condition

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Shown on this slide are alternatives for the US 80 intersection at Rough Edge Road and Beacon Light Road. If the Rough Edge Road intersection remains in its current location, it would be signalized. However, the project is also considering realigning the intersection eastward to align with Beacon Light Road. Under the realignment option, the new intersection could be controlled by a traffic signal or converted to a roundabout.

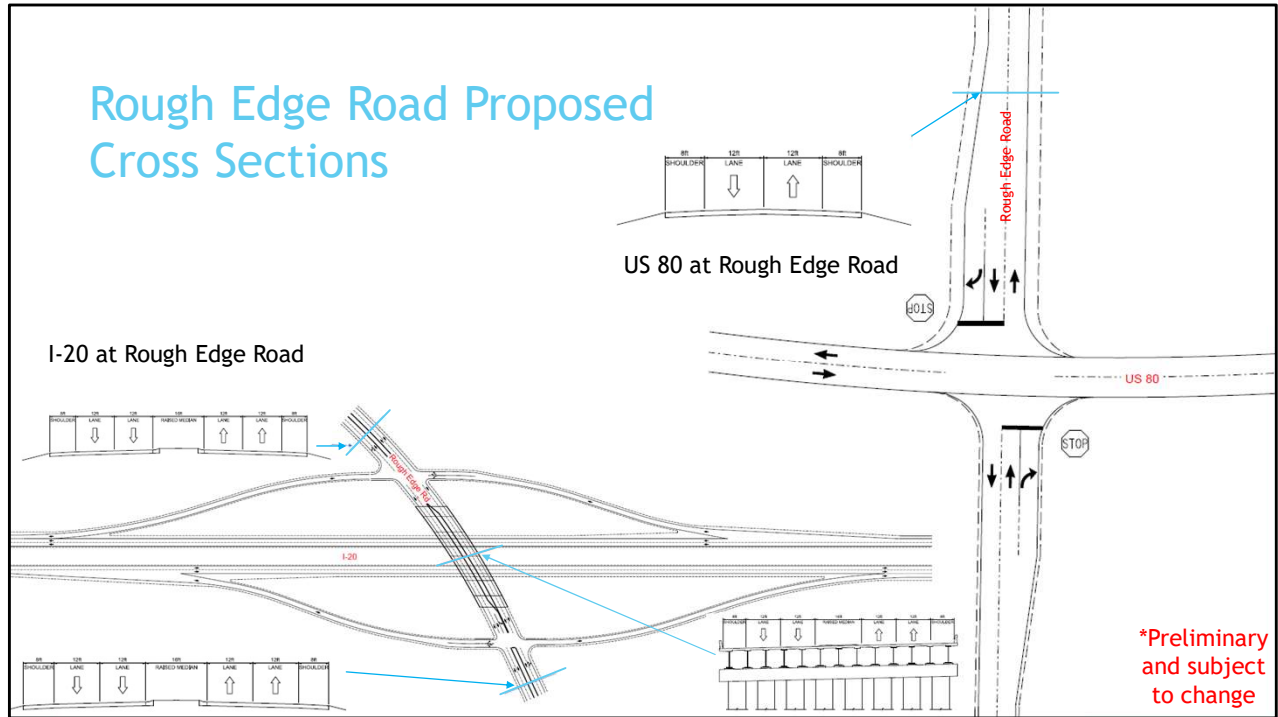
Northern Frontage Road Terminus Alternatives



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Two options are being considered for the northern frontage road alignment: the existing frontage road, as shown on the left of your screen, and one with a northern alignment as shown on the right on your screen above.

Project staff are also available to provide additional information about each alternative.



This slide shows the proposed layout for Rough Edge Road which would consist of two travel lanes in each direction with a raised median that would become a left turn lane for traffic turning onto I-20 in either direction.

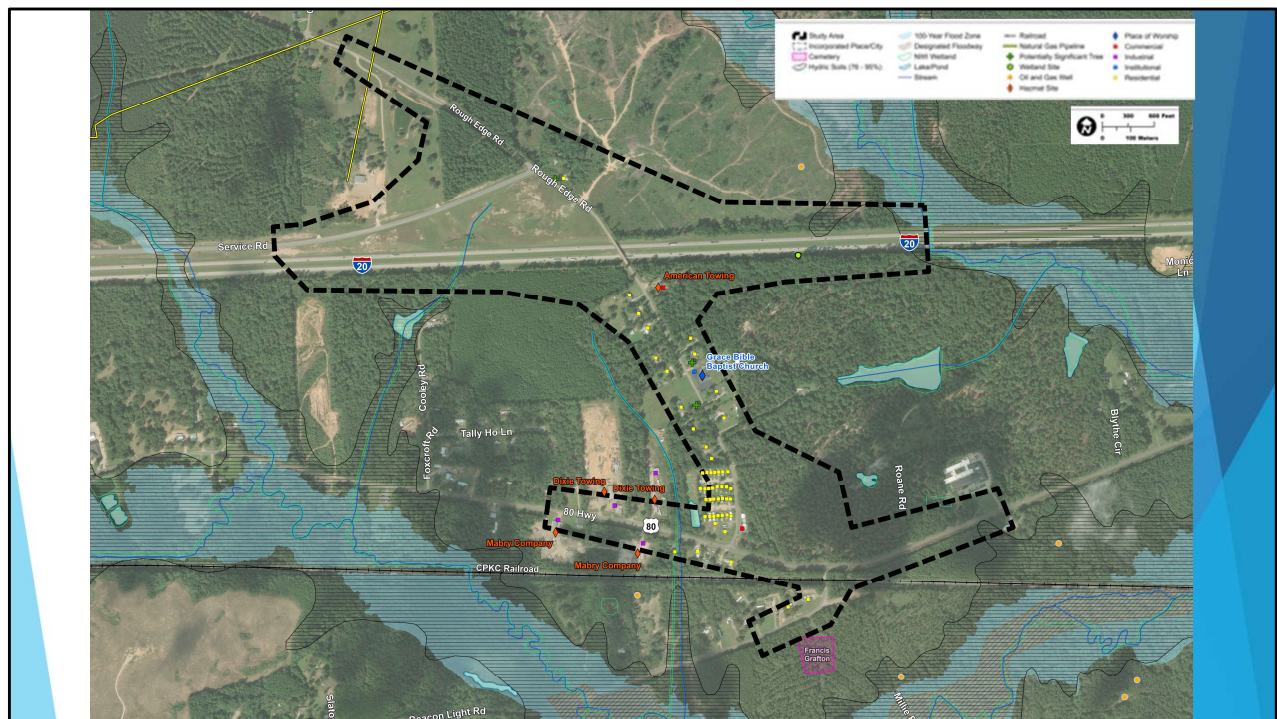
No changes to the configuration of I-20 or US 80 are planned as a result of this project.

Environmental Reviews National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

- ▶ Biological Resources
- ▶ Waters of the U.S. and Wetlands
- ▶ Historic Resources
- ▶ Archeological Resources
- ▶ Hazardous Sites
- ▶ Noise Analysis
- ▶ Community, Land Use and Services Effects
- ▶ Temporary Construction Effects
- ▶ Public Lands and Recreation



Due to federal funding, this project is required to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act, also known as NEPA. The NEPA process analyzes the potential impacts to the natural and manmade environments and helps the decision maker to make an informed decision on whether or not to proceed with the project. The resources listed on the screen are to be reviewed as part of the NEPA process on this project and will conclude with the preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA). The EA will summarize impacts and make a recommendation for the project.



This slide shows the environmental constraints, including wetlands, hazardous materials concerns, floodplains and waterways, and community facilities and residences that might be affected by the proposed project. Please visit the Environmental Station at the meeting to learn more.

Right of Way

- ▶ Additional right of way would be required with each of the proposed alternatives.
- ▶ LADOTD right of way staff are available at the Right of Way Station to discuss the acquisition process and the steps involved in this process. Stop by the right of way table for more information.

In each of the alternatives presented, additional right of way would be required. LADOTD right of way staff are available at the Right of Way Station to discuss the right of way acquisition process and the steps involved in that process. Please stop by the Right of Way table during the meeting for more information.

*Schedule and Next Steps

- ▶ November 5, 2026 (Tonight)
 - ▶ Public Meeting and Comments Collection
- ▶ December 5, 2026
 - ▶ Formal Comment Period Ends
- ▶ Winter and Spring 2027
 - ▶ Prepare Environmental Assessment (EA)
 - ▶ Public Hearing
- ▶ Spring 2027
 - ▶ Anticipated Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)
- ▶ Late 2027/Early 2028
 - ▶ Construction Design

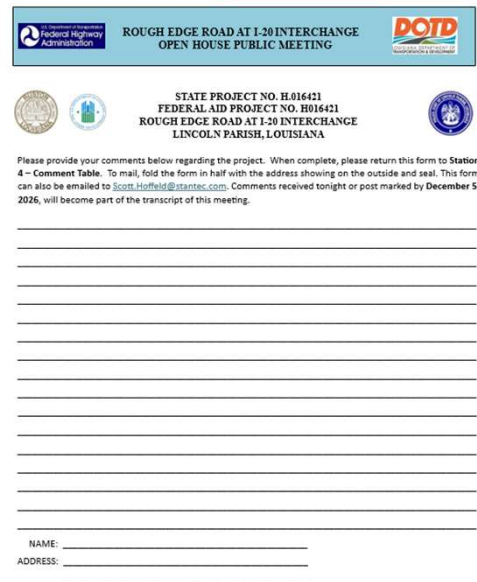
*Note that the schedule/next steps are tentative and subject to change.

This slide shows the tentative schedule and next steps associated with this project. After this public meeting and comment period, an environmental assessment would be completed in winter or spring of 2027, including a public hearing to gather additional public input. The environmental process will conclude with an environmental decision anticipated to be a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), anticipated for Spring 2027. The construction design is anticipated for Late 2027 or Early 2028.

*Please note that the timeline is tentative and is subject to change.

How Can you Help?

- ▶ Be sure to sign in
- ▶ Review project materials at each station and speak with team members about your concerns
- ▶ Provide us with your written or verbal comments
 - ▶ All comments must be considered in the Environmental Process
 - ▶ We need to know if there are any remaining issues or opportunities with the project.



The sign is for a public meeting titled "ROUGH EDGE ROAD AT I-20 INTERCHANGE OPEN HOUSE PUBLIC MEETING". It features logos for the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD). The project is identified as "STATE PROJECT NO. H.016421" and "FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. H016421" for "ROUGH EDGE ROAD AT I-20 INTERCHANGE" in "LINCOLN PARISH, LOUISIANA". A section for comments includes a prompt: "Please provide your comments below regarding the project. 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. This form can also be emailed to Scott.Hoffield@staterc.com. Comments received tonight or post marked by December 5, 2025, will become part of the transcript of this meeting." Below this is a large area with horizontal lines for writing. At the bottom, there are fields for "NAME:" and "ADDRESS:".

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NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____

How can you help?

Be sure to sign in and review project materials. Staff members with name tags are available to answer any questions or speak with you about your concerns.

Your comments are important because community concerns and preferences are factors that are considered in this project. We need to know if there are any issues or opportunities with the project as proposed.

How to Provide Comments and Ask Questions



Comment Box

Place in comment box at the Comment Station



Email

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Mail

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Online Survey Monkey

Comments are welcome throughout the entire study period, but comments must be received or postmarked by **December 5, 2026**, to be a part of the official record of this public meeting.

This slide contains information regarding the comment process: submit comments at the meeting; by email or by mail. You can also complete the online survey at the website shown on your screen.

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Again, thank you for your participation in this Public Meeting. Please visit the remaining stations to view the exhibits and provide your comments.