

Schedule

A substantial amount of preliminary engineering, environmental study, agency coordination, and public outreach will be conducted throughout the course of the study.

As various milestones are reached, information will be relayed to the public via postcards, newsletters, or workshops. All interactions with the public will be followed by adequate opportunity to comment. The proposed schedule for the project study is as follows:

Spring/Summer 2007 – Begin field work to determine the presence and location of natural resources along the project corridor (wetlands, endangered species, etc.).

Summer 2007 to Spring 2008 - Identify widening alternatives and any corridors where a highway on new location will be considered.

2008 – Select alternatives to be considered for detailed study

2009 – Submit a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) and conduct Public Hearings to publicize the recommended alternatives

2010 – 2011 - Select the Preferred Alternative, submit the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS)

2011 – Record of Decision (completes environmental documentation)

2012 – 2013 - Begin Right-of-Way acquisition for areas of highway widening, and begin construction for the new Lindsey C. Warren Bridge.

Construction activities for the widening of US 64 (other than the new bridge and its approaches) are not yet funded in the 2007-2013 Transportation Improvement Program, therefore no timeframe for actual highway construction has been set at this time.