

# PUBLIC MEETING

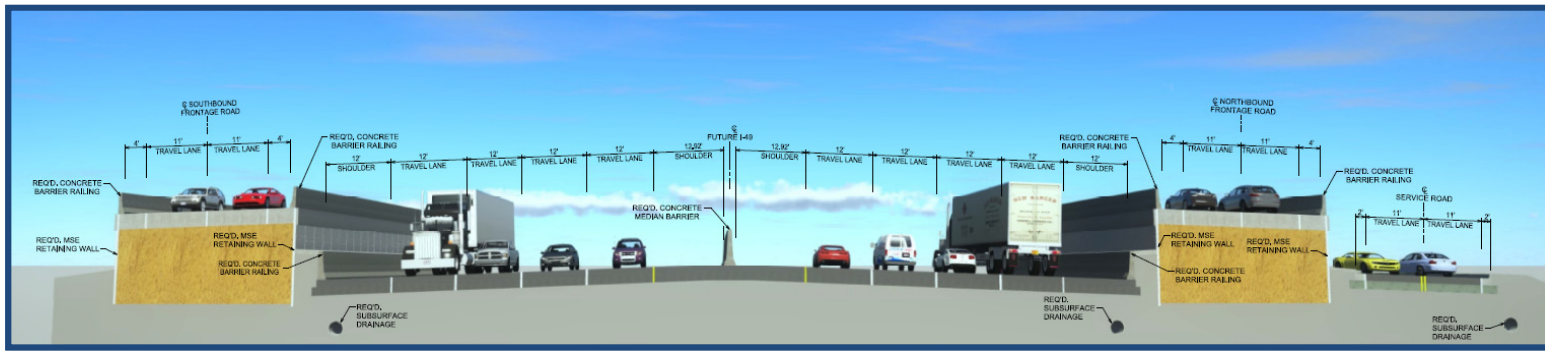


FIGURE 3: Conceptual Rendering of the Future I-99 Corridor and Elevated Frontage Roads Approaching and Departing Verot School Road

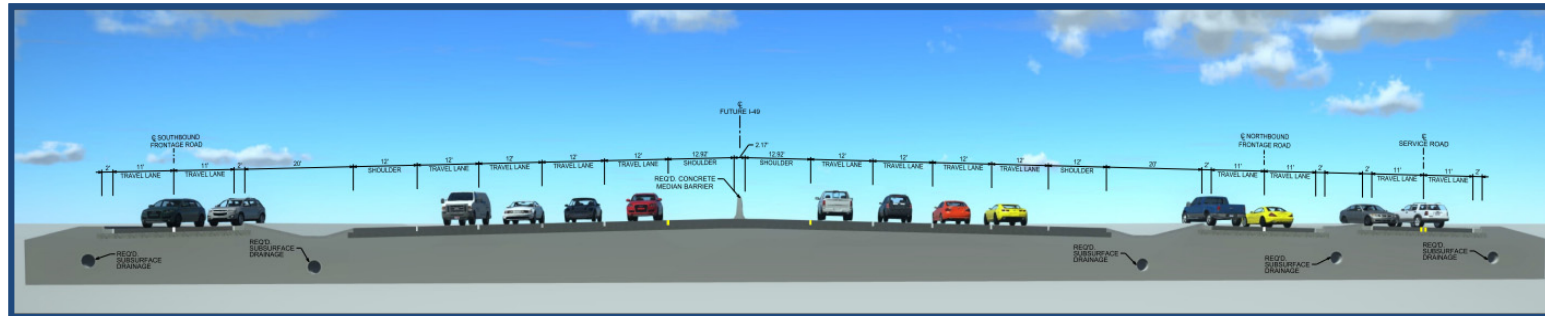


FIGURE 4: Conceptual Rendering of the Future I-99 Corridor and At-Grade Frontage Roads Approaching and Departing Verot School Road

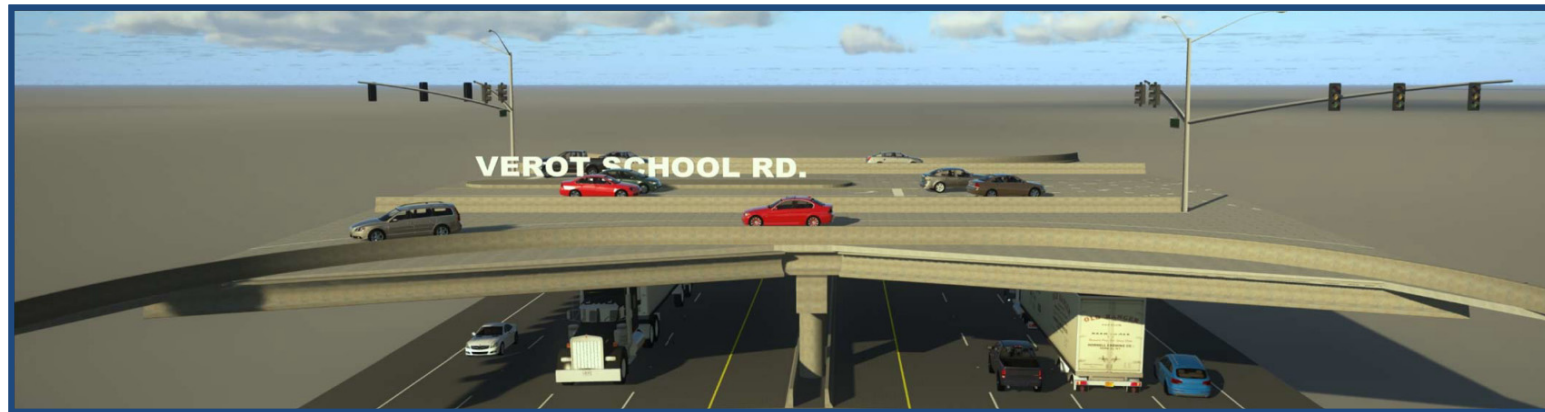


FIGURE 5: Conceptual Rendering of the Future I-99 Corridor and Realigned Verot School Road Grade-Separated Interchange

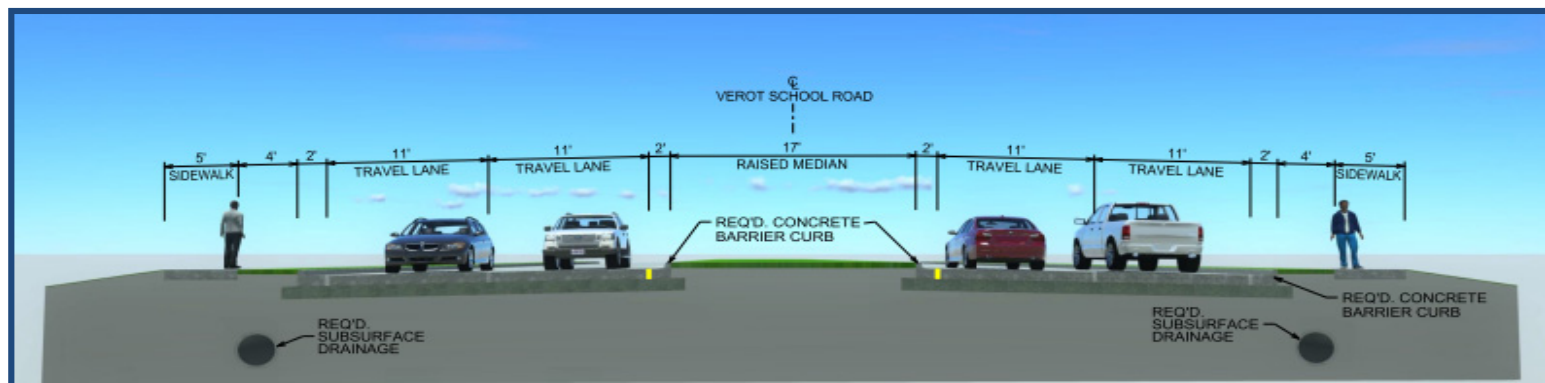
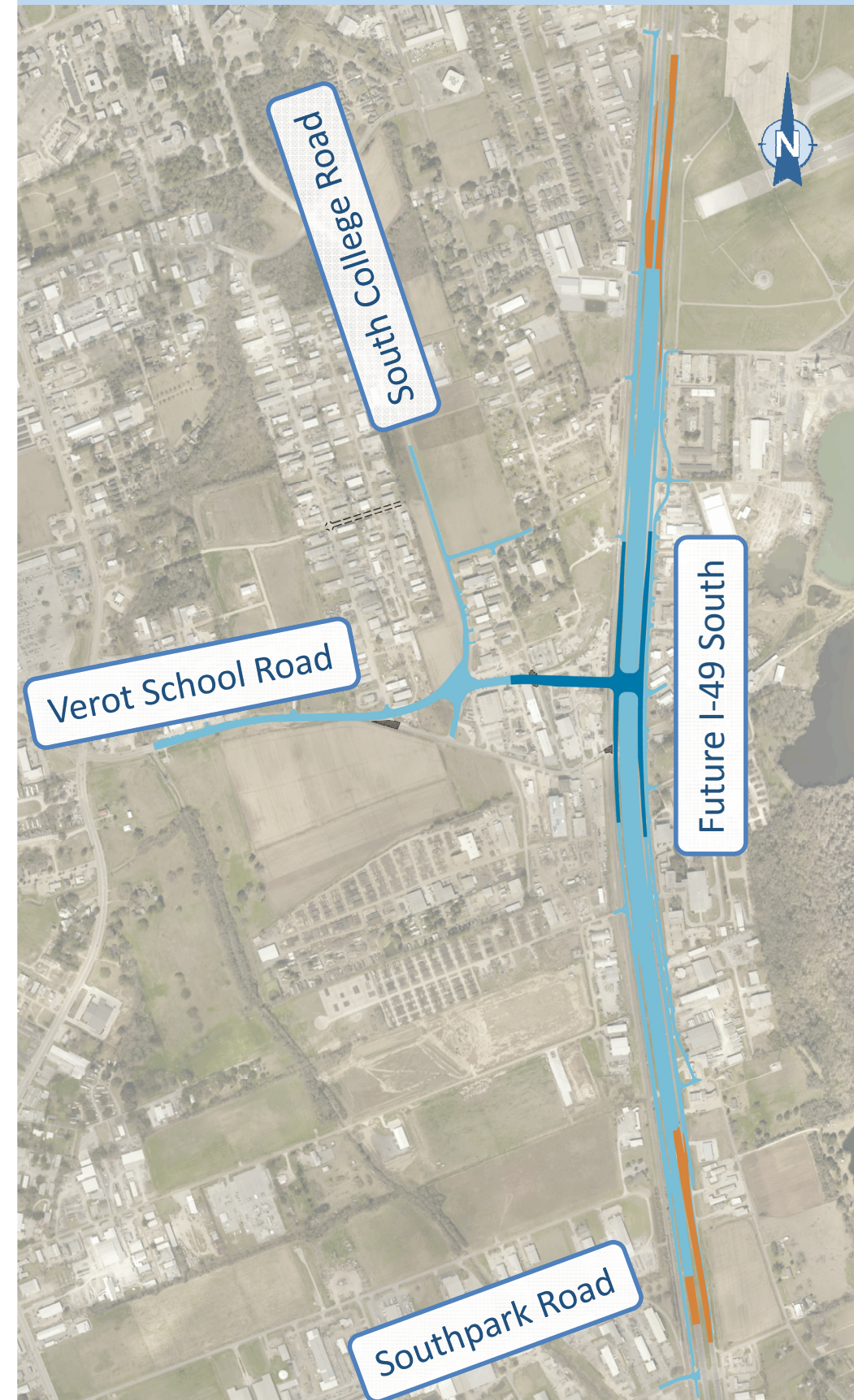


FIGURE 6: Conceptual Rendering of Realigned Verot School Road (from Roundabout to the Existing Bridge Near Pinhook Road)

**For more information:**

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**U.S. HWY. 90  
(FUTURE I-49 SOUTH)  
@ VEROT SCHOOL  
ROAD**

State Project No. H.011235.5  
Federal Aid Project No. H011235  
Lafayette Parish, Louisiana

September 27, 2017  
4:00PM to 7:00PM

Comeaux Recreation Center  
411 W. Bluebird Drive  
Lafayette, LA 70508





## Purpose of Public Meeting:

The Louisiana Department and Transportation and Development (DOTD) in conjunction with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is conducting this public meeting for the proposed improvements to a 1.5 mile section of Future I-49 in the area of the Verot School Road interchange. The purpose of the public meeting is to provide information to the public regarding current proposed modifications being made to the previously approved conceptual design found in the environmental document titled "Final Environmental Impact Statement, I-49 South Route US 90, Lafayette Regional Airport to Route LA 88" dated April 2005 and made part of a Record of Decision in October 2005.

## Meeting Format:

The meeting will follow an open house format. There will be a continuous multi-media presentation and exhibits will be available for viewing, that provide information about the project. Representatives from DOTD and its consultants will be present to answer questions and discuss issues related to the proposed project. Verbal comments can be recorded and written statements can be submitted at the meeting. Written statements can also be mailed to the address shown below, postmarked no later than October 9, 2017, to be included in the meeting transcript.

### Mailing address

Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development  
Environmental Engineer Administrator, Section 28  
P.O. Box 94245  
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9245

## Meeting Stations:

The open house meeting format consist of five (5) stations to visit. Each station will have representatives present to guide you through the station. The following are the stations along with a brief description.

### STATION NO. 1: SIGN IN

- Welcome and please sign in. Copy of meeting handouts will be made available at this station.

### STATION NO. 2: PRESENTATION

- Continuous audio/visual presentation about the proposed project.

### STATION NO. 3: PROPOSED PROJECT

- Visit with team members and view the exhibits of the proposed project.

### STATION NO. 4: RIGHT OF WAY

- Visit with team members to discuss the DOTD's acquisition of right of way and relocation assistance program.

### STATION NO. 5: COMMENTS

- Please take a moment to provide any comments you may have. Either fill out the comment form provided in this handout and turn it in at Station No. 5 or record

a verbal comment on the voice recorder found at this station. You may also mail your comment form to the address provided.

## Brief Project History:

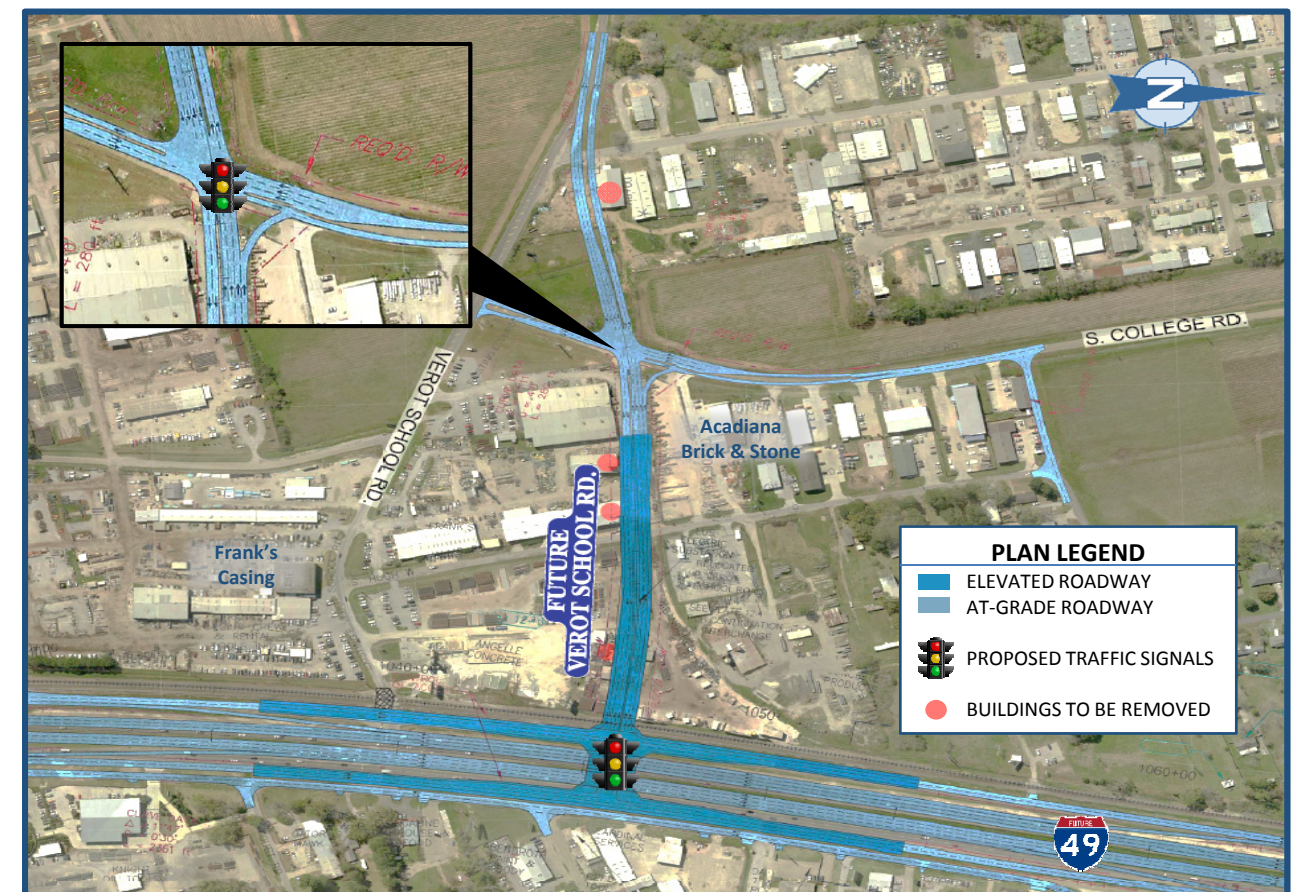
The DOTD proposed the project and the FHWA approved an environmental study titled "Final Environmental Impact Statement, I-49 South Route US 90, Lafayette Regional Airport to Route LA 88" dated April 2005 and made part of a Record of Decision in October of 2005. This study was prepared as part of the upgrade of U.S. Highway 90 (US 90) through Lafayette Parish to a full controlled access facility meeting interstate highway design standards as a section of Future I-49. As part of this study, improvements to the existing intersection of US 90 and Verot School Road consisted of providing for a new alignment for the Verot School Road approach to Future I-49 with a bridge structure over the existing BNSF railroad and mainline of Future I-49 just north of the existing Verot School Road alignment (See **Figure 1**).

After completion of the environmental process, the DOTD allocated funding to commence the design process and awarded contracts to a design consultant in June 2016. In the preliminary design phase, several design enhancements and updates to the conceptual design previously approved in the Record of Decision (October 2005) are being proposed that will improve mobility and compliance with current DOTD guidelines (See Figure 2 and exhibit boards at Station No. 3).

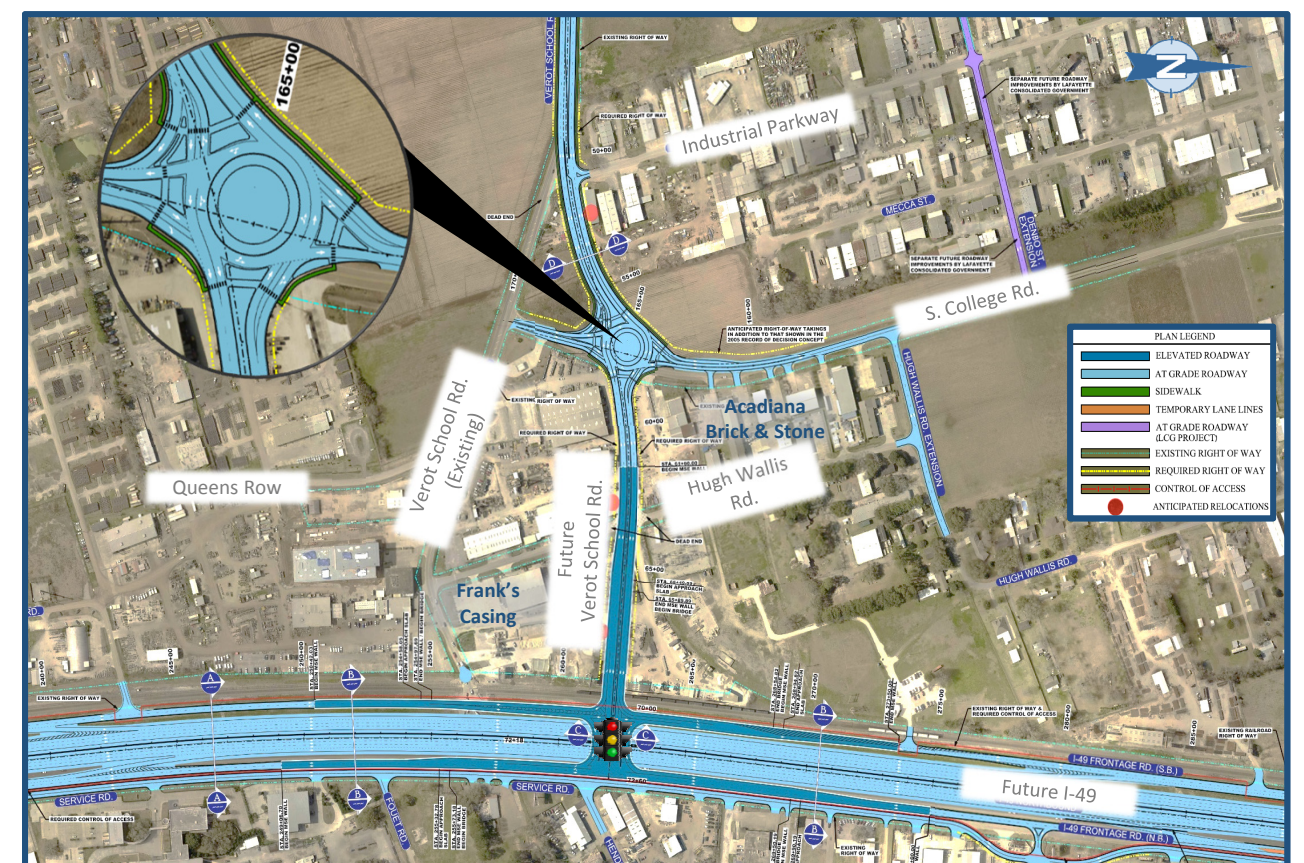
These changes are being presented in this public meeting in order to update NEPA documents and seek public input before proceeding with final design. Some of the proposed modifications include:

- Installation of a roundabout at the intersection of South College Road and Realigned Verot School Road, in lieu of a traffic signal;
- Access to and from existing Verot School Road will be only through the roundabout;
- Changes to required right-of-way near the roundabout and along realigned South College Road;
- Project limits on the west now extend to the existing bridge on Verot School Road near Pinhook Road;
- Prohibited left-turn from side streets onto Verot School Road (indirect access to Verot School Road eastbound will be provided by parallel streets connecting to S. College Drive);
- Control of access along northbound Future I-49 frontage road between Bonin Road and Garber Road; and
- Proposed new access road connecting Perimeter Road to Alligator Road.

Please visit Station No. 3 to view exhibits illustrating proposed modifications. The next milestones for the project include the development of preliminary and final construction plans, allocating funding for right of way acquisition, and construction of the project when funding becomes available.



**FIGURE 1:** Proposed Improvements at interchange of Future I-49 and Realigned Verot School Road as documented in the E.I.S. and made part of the Record of Decision in October 2005.



**FIGURE 2:** Interchange of Future I-49 and Realigned Verot School Road with current proposed modifications.