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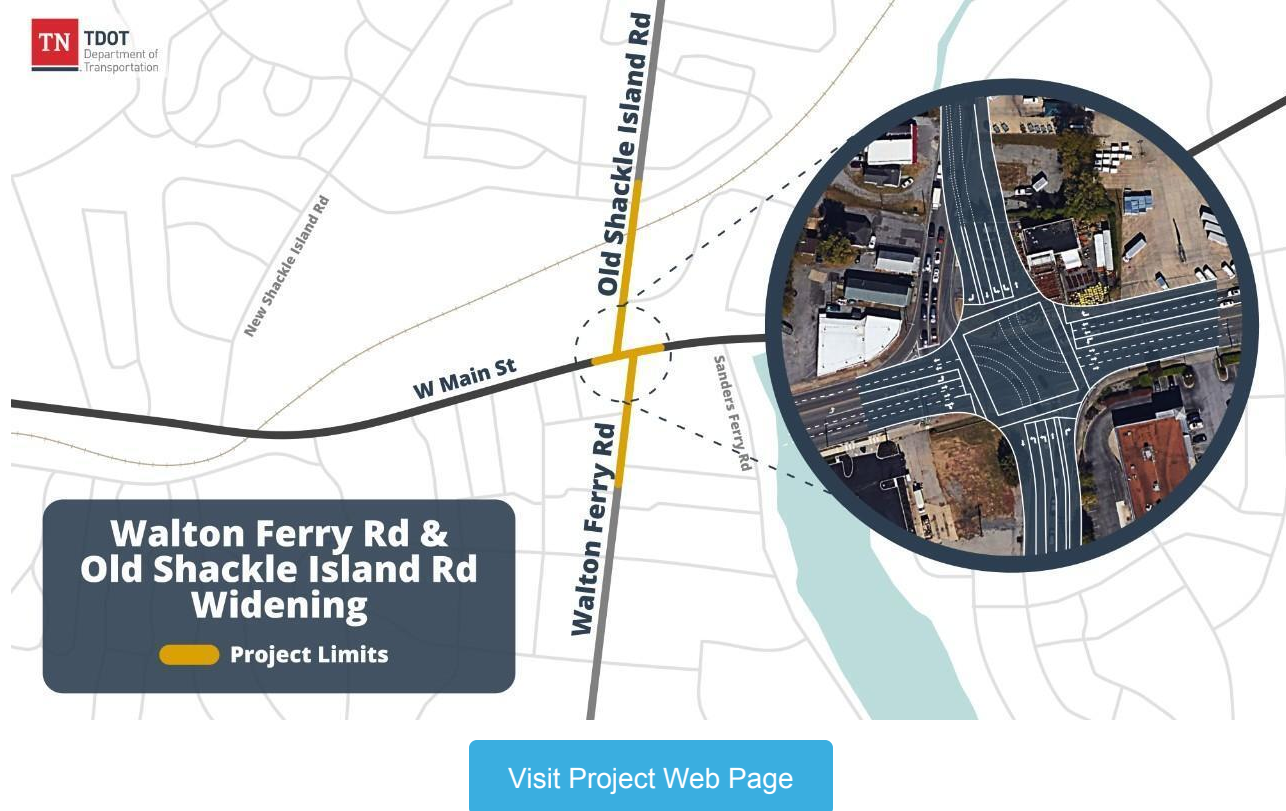
Walton Ferry Road / Old Shackle Island Road Improvements

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Project Description:

This project on Walton Ferry Road/Old Shackle Island Road from Nokes Drive to Volunteer Drive includes reconstruction, realignment, and widening for approximately one mile. At the intersection with W. Main Street (SR 6/US 31E), Walton Ferry Road and Old Shackle Island Road will be widened to include one 12-foot travel lane, two 12-foot left turn lanes, one 12-foot right turn lane, shoulders striped for bike lanes, curb and gutter, and sidewalks on each side.

These improvements are intended to address congestion, improve safety, and accommodate growth in this rapidly developing area.



Project Note:

Following a recent social media post about the project, we received several questions from the community regarding the construction timeline, current activity, and what residents can expect as work continues.

We understand when construction activity is not always visible, it can be difficult to see the progress being made. We want to take this opportunity to provide some additional context and explain what has been taking place behind the scenes, as well as what is happening on site now.

"Why is the project taking so long?"

A significant portion of this year has been dedicated to utility work associated with the project. Although this type of work is often less visible to the traveling public, completing utilities is an important prerequisite to moving forward with major roadway construction.

The utility phase is now substantially complete, with only a few potential outstanding items remaining. As that work has wrapped up, crews have transitioned into the next phase of construction, which includes grading for the new roadway.

This transition represents an important step forward as the project moves into more visible roadway construction activities.

"Why haven't I seen crews actively working?"

Construction has been ongoing, although the work may not always be readily visible from the roadway.

On July 31, contractor Roger's Group implemented a traffic lane shift on Walton Ferry

widening operations on that side of the project.

Crews are also actively working on Old Shackle Island Road, where roadway widening and grading activities are currently underway. Another traffic shift is anticipated in October, which will allow crews to continue grading and advance construction into the next phase.

Over the past month, Roger's Group has consistently had two grading crews working on site.

It is also important to note that construction activities occur during both daytime and nighttime hours. During the day, crews generally work under a single-lane closure, while multiple lane closures may be utilized at night when traffic volumes are lower.

Maintaining traffic flow and minimizing disruptions for motorists during the daytime is a priority. As a result, some construction operations must be carefully scheduled or limited during peak traffic periods. This can make the amount of work taking place less apparent to those traveling through the project area.

"The roadway was just repaved. Will it be torn up again?"

The pavement recently placed in the project area is **temporary asphalt**. It was installed to accommodate a traffic shift, allowing traffic to be moved onto one side of the roadway while crews widened the opposite side.

This temporary pavement is a necessary part of the construction process and is not intended to be the project's final roadway surface.

As construction progresses toward completion, the roadway will be repaved as needed to provide the final pavement surface. The project will be finished with the appropriate permanent roadway improvements once all construction activities are complete.

"What's next?"

With the majority of the utility work now complete, the project is transitioning into a more active phase of roadway construction. Residents and motorists should expect to see continued grading, roadway widening, traffic shifts, and other construction activities in the coming months.

We recognize that construction projects can be disruptive and that progress is not always easy to see from the driver's seat. We appreciate the community's continued patience and understanding as crews work through each phase of the project.

Our goal is to keep the community informed as construction progresses and to provide clarity about what is happening in the project area.

Thank you for your patience as we continue working toward the completion of this important roadway improvement project.

Upcoming Traffic Note:

- Various lane closures will take place on Walton Ferry Road and Old Shackle Island Road. Flaggers will be present.

Recently Completed Work:

- Traffic switch on Walton Ferry Road for Phase 1 was completed between Nokes Drive and Main Street.



Traffic switch on Walton Ferry Road.

- Roadway excavation began on the west side of Walton Ferry Road at Nokes Drive and heading north to Main Street.





Roadway Excavation.

- Stansell Electric installed traffic signal pole foundations at Imperial Boulevard and Walton Ferry Road.



Traffic signal pole foundation installation.

- Roger's Group completed sewer lateral relocations at various locations on Walton Ferry Road.



Traffic signal work.

Active Work:

- Stansell
 - Completing conduit installation for the new traffic signals at Main Street.

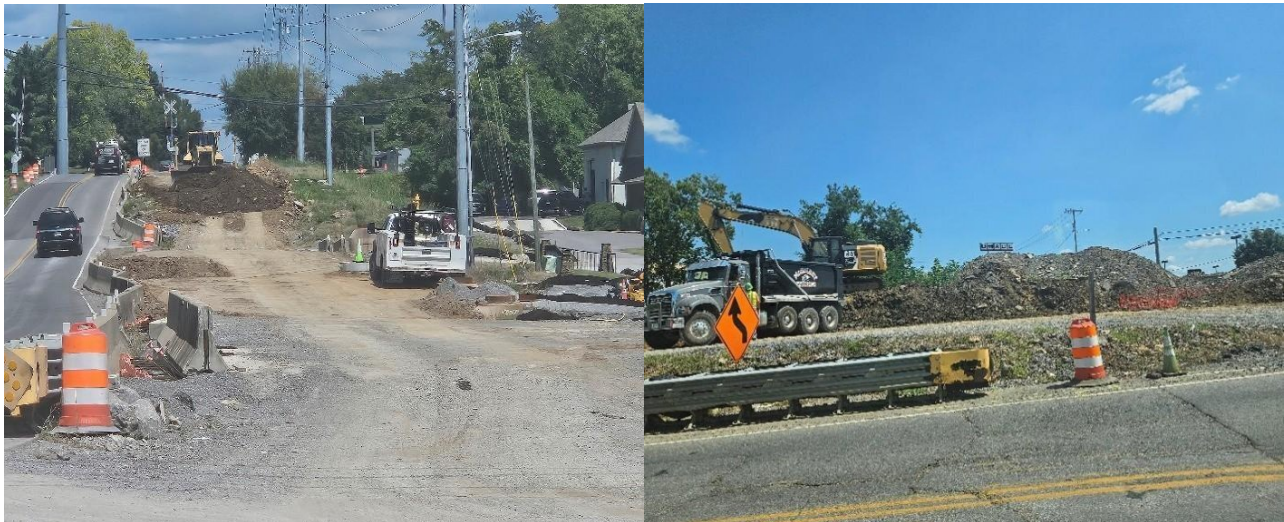
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- Removing old TS poles at Imperial Boulevard and turning on new traffic signal poles.
- Roger's Group
 - Continuing to excavate for the roadway section on the west side of Walton Ferry Road between Nokes Drive and Main Street.



Roadway excavation.

- Import fill and subgrade prep continuing on Old Shackle Island Road for roadway section.



Subgrade prep work.

Upcoming Work:

- Roger's Group
 - Complete subgrade prep and install base stone on the west side of Walton Ferry Road.
 - Install underdrains and complete curb and gutter on the west side of Walton Ferry Road.
 - Sidewalk grading and installation on the west side of Walton Ferry Road.
 - Complete subgrade prep on the east side of Old Shackle Island Road and install base stone for the roadway section.
 - Install underdrains and complete curb and gutter on the east side of Old Shackle Island Road

- Continue traffic signal work at the intersection of Main Street, Walton Ferry Road, and Old Shackle Island Road.

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