

CHATHAM COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING

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Welcome!

Thank you for attending this Community Meeting for the proposed Green Island Road Path, PI Number 0019015. The location of this project is shown in **Figure 1** in this handout. We are currently in the concept phase of this project and are here to gather information from the public as well as to share information that we have gathered. In this handout, you will find a description of the multimodal transportation issue we are attempting to solve, a proposed solution, a location map, and a comment card for you to provide additional feedback for the project team.

Meeting Information

Please visit one of the project display areas. All sets of displays are identical and include the current shared-use path concept. Chatham County representatives, wearing nametags, are available to discuss the project and answer your questions. There will be no formal presentation.

Share Your Comments

We hope you will take the opportunity to tell us what you think. Listed below are several ways to comment on the project. Your comments are important to us, and should you provide comments by one of the methods noted below, comment responses will be posted to the project's <u>website</u> within 30 days of the close of the comment period. All comments will become part of the official project record.

- 1. While you are attending the Community Meeting, you are encouraged to provide your comments today by filling out the comment card provided with this handout and dropping it into the comment box.
- 2. If you prefer to leave comments after the meeting, you can also provide comments by **Friday, January 3, 2025** using any of the following methods:

Online Survey: Chatham County project <u>website</u>

• Email: <u>tibockhold@chathamcounty.org</u>

• U.S. Mail: Chatham County, Department of Engineering PO Box 8161, Savannah, Georgia 31412

Again, thank you for attending this community meeting. Should you like to review the project displays seen here at the meeting, they will be available on the project <u>website</u>. If you should have any questions or need additional information, feel free to contact Tina Bockhold at <u>tibockhold@chathamcounty.org</u> or 912-652-7807, or Rhodes Hunt at <u>rhodes.hunt@kimley-horn.com</u> or 912-328-4445.

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Why are we here and what is the issue we are seeking to address within your community?

Chatham County is seeking feedback about proposed multimodal transportation enhancements along Green Island Road beginning south of Lufburrow Way (southern end) and ending at the intersection at Diamond Causeway/Tidewater Way (northern end). The project area currently has a lack of pedestrian and bicycle accommodations.

Current conditions along the Green Island Road corridor:

- No existing pedestrian or bicycle accommodations within the project area
- Existing roadway features that create safety concerns for pedestrians and bicyclists

Without this Project (No Build):

- The lack of sidewalks or shared-use paths would not be addressed along the corridor
- Concerns related to unsafe pedestrian maneuvers would not be addressed

Proposed Solution: (Also See Figure 1)

PI No. 0019015 was programmed by the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO) at the request of Chatham County to address limited transportation options along Green Island Road and to enhance connectivity between residential communities, recreational facilities, and commercial development. The proposed shared-use path will connect to a growing network of multimodal transportation facilities in the area including an existing shared-use path on the north side of Diamond Causeway/Tidewater Way. As the existing Green Island Road corridor consists of only two vehicular travel lanes with rural shoulders, this project will promote safer pedestrian mobility and equitable transportation for non-motorized users. All pedestrian features will be constructed in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. Current locations of the shared-use path are conceptual and we are seeking community input for before advancing into preliminary design.

Benefits of Project Implementation:

- Promote safer pedestrian and bicyclist mobility
- Provide multimodal and equitable travel options
- Enhance connectivity between community resources, recreational facilities, and commercial development

How Can You Assist: Please provide feedback about our proposed solution as well as information about any resources important to you or to the community. For example, *are there events that future construction may affect once it begins?*

Where is this project in the process? This project is currently in the concept phase. The concept phase defines the existing issue(s) seeking to be resolved along with a proposed alternative that will meet the community's needs and the purpose of the project.

What are the Next Steps? After the public meeting is held, feedback will be assessed, and revisions may occur to the proposed plan initially brought to the public or the No Build alternative will be selected. Once a Concept Report is approved, the project alignment would be refined. If major changes occur to what was previously shown to the community, additional public outreach would occur. If no major changes are proposed, the project would advance into final design. After the project design is finalized, the project would then advance to construction.

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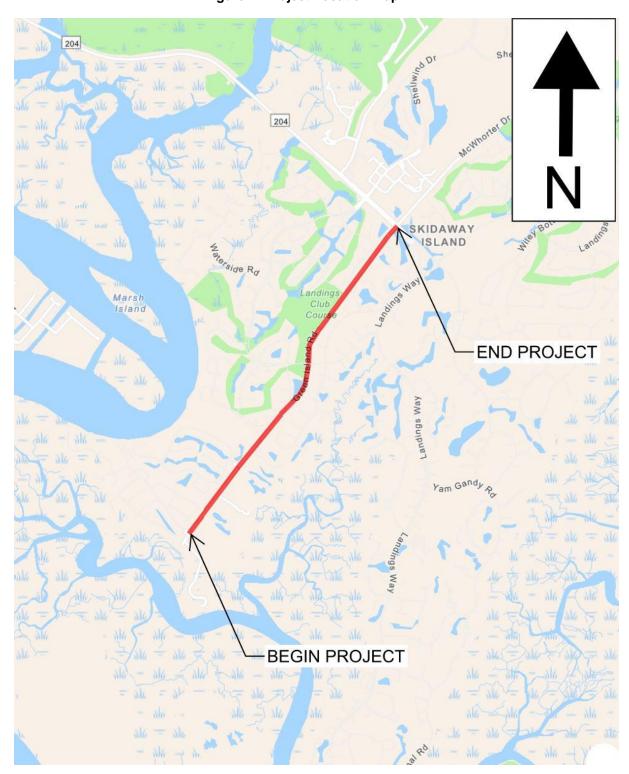


Figure 1: Project Location Map

Chatham County Department of Engineering | Community Meeting Handout PI#(s): 0019015, County: Chatham, Date: 12/5/2024 **Comment Card** *Please print responses.* Name Address ___ Do you support the path project? (check your response) ☐ For ☐ Against ☐ Conditional (I would support this project if... describe below) ☐ Uncommitted Comments: _____ Do you support lighting for the proposed path? (check your response) □ For □ Against □ Conditional (I would support this project if... describe below) □ Uncommitted Comments: **Chatham County Future Projects** Would you support a future roundabout project at Green Island Road/Diamond Causeway? (check your response) ☐ For ☐ Against ☐ Conditional (I would support this project if... describe below) ☐ Uncommitted Comments: Are there any other areas of concern where you believe the County could improve traffic on the island? **Help Chatham County Improve Future Meetings:** How did you hear about this Public Meeting? (check) ☐ Signs ☐ Website ☐ Word of Mouth □ Social Media □ Other _____ Was the location of the meeting convenient for you to attend? ☐ Yes □ No If no, please suggest a general location that is more convenient to your community. Was the time of the meeting convenient for you to attend? ☐ Yes If no, please suggest a time frame that is more convenient for you. Were your questions answered by project personnel? ☐ Yes □ No

Return to: Chatham County Department of Engineering Attn: Tina Bockhold, PE PO Box 8161 Savannah, Georgia 31412 ☐ Yes

Do you understand the project after attending this meeting?

Return by Friday, January 3, 2025