

Introduction

The preferred alignment of the Sawmill Parkway Extension was designated in late July 2005, eight months after the 1,000-foot wide preferred corridor for the limited-access, four-lane roadway was selected by the Delaware County Engineer. The process used to select the 200-foot wide preferred alignment of the roadway involved a series of meetings among project engineers, local elected officials, regional planners, and the general public, including three open houses in which input from the public was solicited and received. This process duplicated the one used to select the preferred corridor, which occurred between January 2004, when active planning for the Sawmill Parkway Extension began, and November 29, 2004, when the preferred corridor was announced.

This document outlines the preferred alignment selection process and is organized chronologically according to six key events:

- January 19, 2005 - Open House #3, in which the process of selecting the preferred corridor was outlined to the public.
- March 22, 2005 - Open House #4, in which four feasible alternative alignments for the Sawmill Parkway Extension were outlined to the public and comments were solicited.
- May 9, 2005 - Internal workshop of Burgess & Niple (B&N) personnel in which criteria for the selection of a preferred alignment were discussed and weighted for later scoring and evaluation.
- May 18, 2005 - Meeting among representatives of the Delaware County Engineer's Office (DCEO) and B&N personnel in which the four feasible alternative alignments were evaluated according to the selection criteria.
- A series of meetings in May and June 2005 among B&N personnel to consider modifications to the alignment that had scored highest at the May 18 meeting.
- June 28, 2005 - Open House #5, in which the preferred alignment was explained to the public and comments were solicited through July 25, 2005.