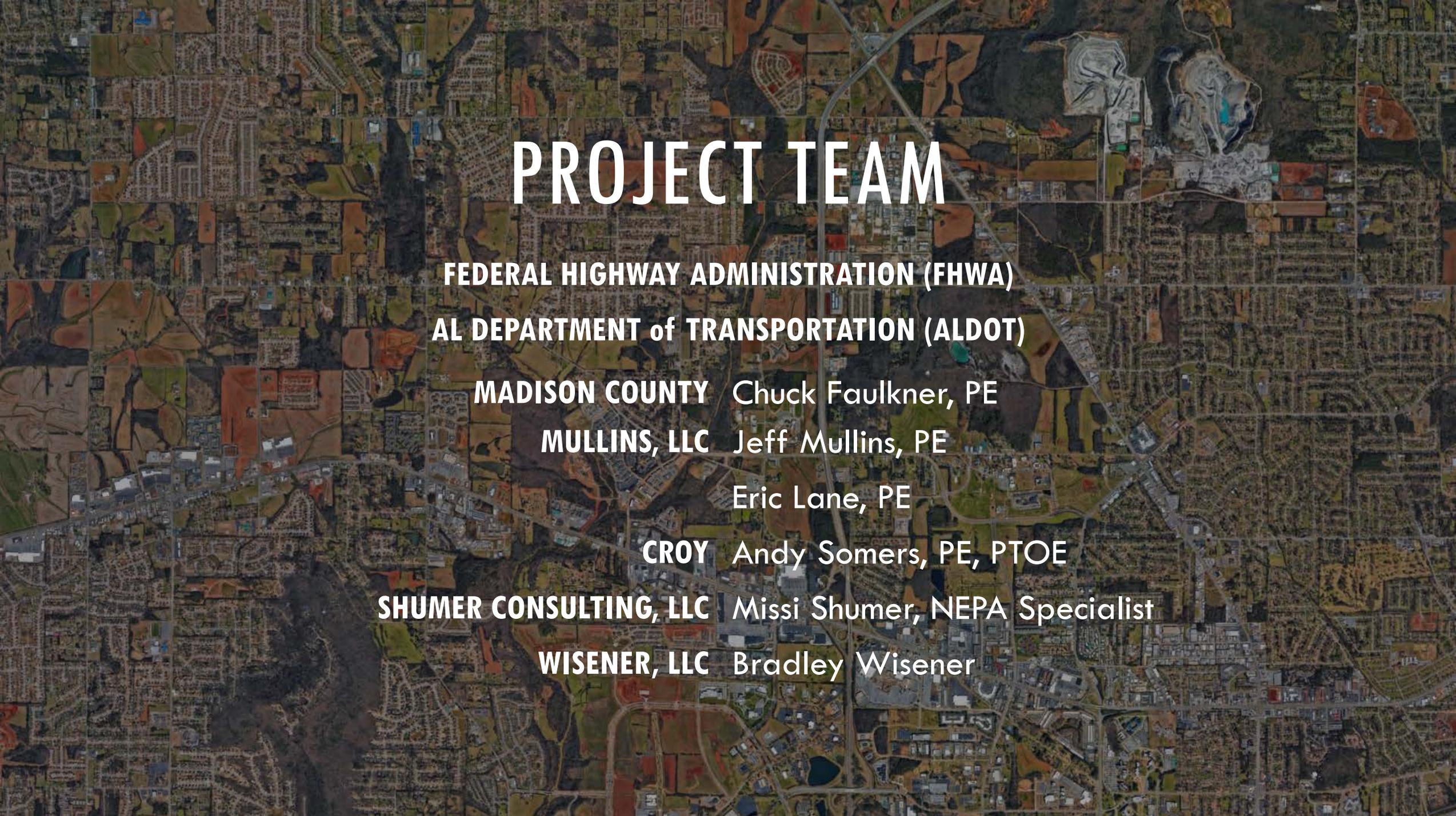


# **BLAKE BOTTOM ROAD IMPROVEMENTS MADISON COUNTY, ALABAMA**

Public Involvement Meeting  
April 30, 2020  
5:30 P.M.



# PROJECT TEAM

**FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION (FHWA)  
ALABAMA DEPARTMENT of TRANSPORTATION (ALDOT)**

**MADISON COUNTY** Chuck Faulkner, PE

**MULLINS, LLC** Jeff Mullins, PE

Eric Lane, PE

**CROY** Andy Somers, PE, PTOE

**SHUMER CONSULTING, LLC** Missi Shumer, NEPA Specialist

**WISENER, LLC** Bradley Wisener

# PROJECT INFORMATION

## **BUILD Grant from US Department of Transportation**

- Approximately \$9.3 million
- Awarded November 2019

## **Environmental Process**

- Perform environmental and engineering studies
- Coordinate with agencies
- Obtain public input
- Document potential impacts in environmental document
- Receive FHWA approval to proceed with design and construction

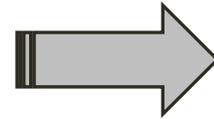
# PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLIC MEETING

- Share the proposed project with interested parties, property owners, citizens
- Explain next steps in project development process
- Obtain public input for use during environmental and design phases

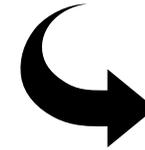
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- E-mail: [BlakeBottomRd@madisoncountyal.gov](mailto:BlakeBottomRd@madisoncountyal.gov)
- Mail: Chuck Faulkner, PE  
266-C Shields Road  
Huntsville, Alabama 35811
- Call Mr. Chuck Faulkner at (256) 746-2900

Comments will be received until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 15, 2020.

# PURPOSE AND NEED

The purpose of the proposed project is to increase capacity along Blake Bottom Road between Jeff Road NW and SR-255 (Research Park Boulevard).

The project is needed because the existing two-lane Blake Bottom Road has insufficient capacity to carry existing traffic volumes, and traffic volumes are projected to grow, resulting in increased congestion and reduced safety. Current daily traffic volumes on this section of Blake Bottom Road more than triple the ideal volumes for a two-lane facility.

In the last five years, more than 100 crashes have occurred along this section of roadway.

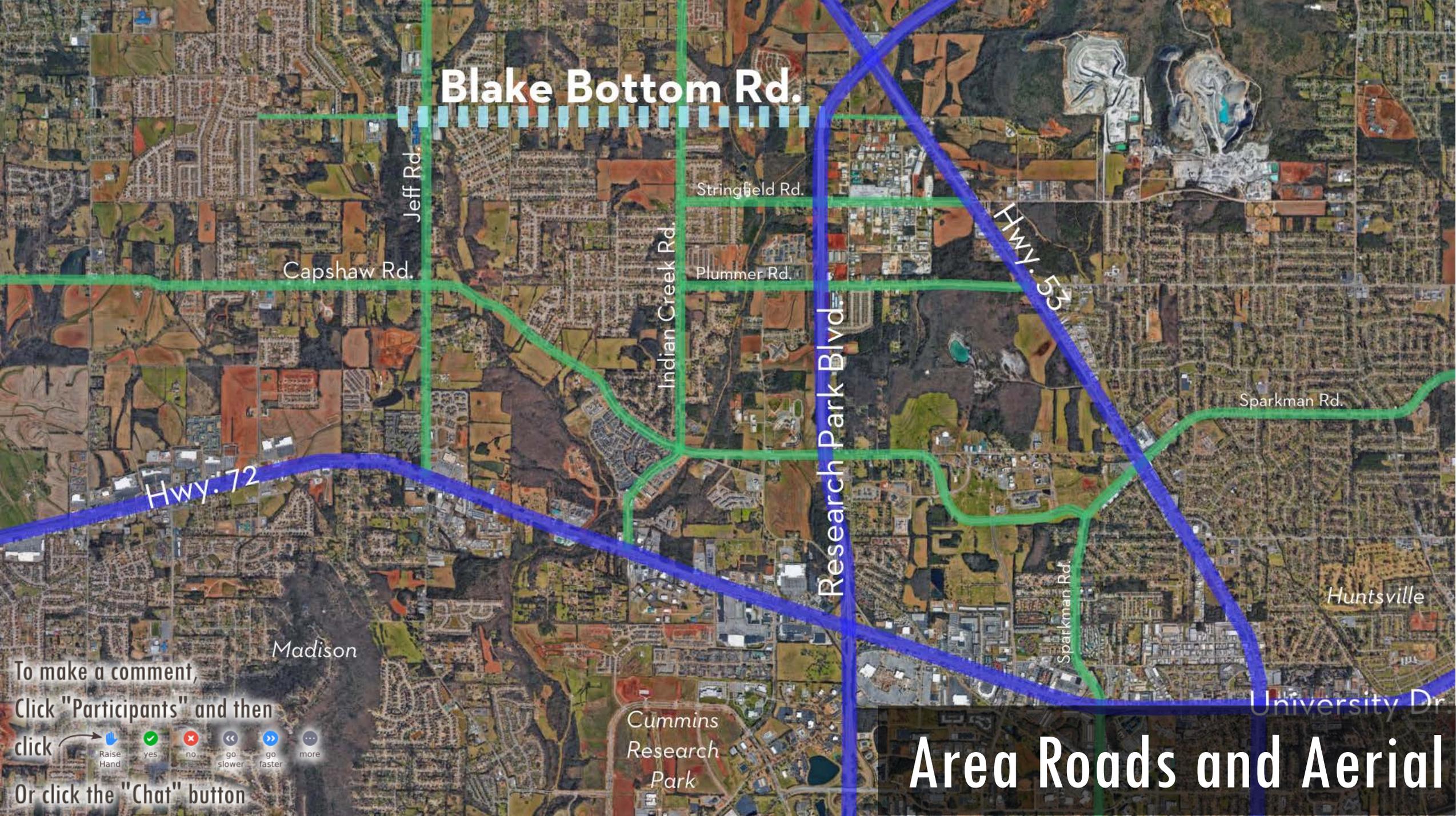
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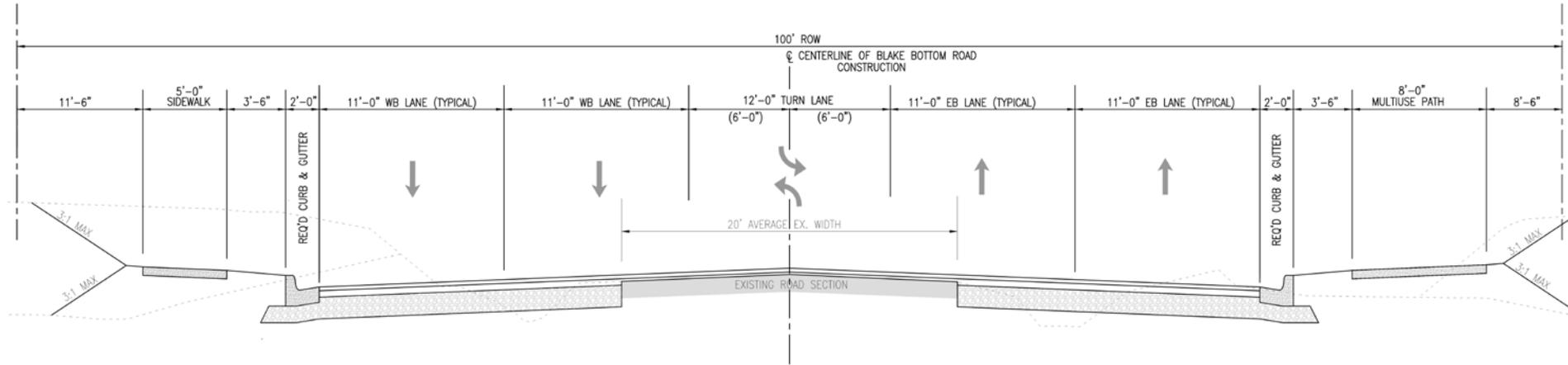
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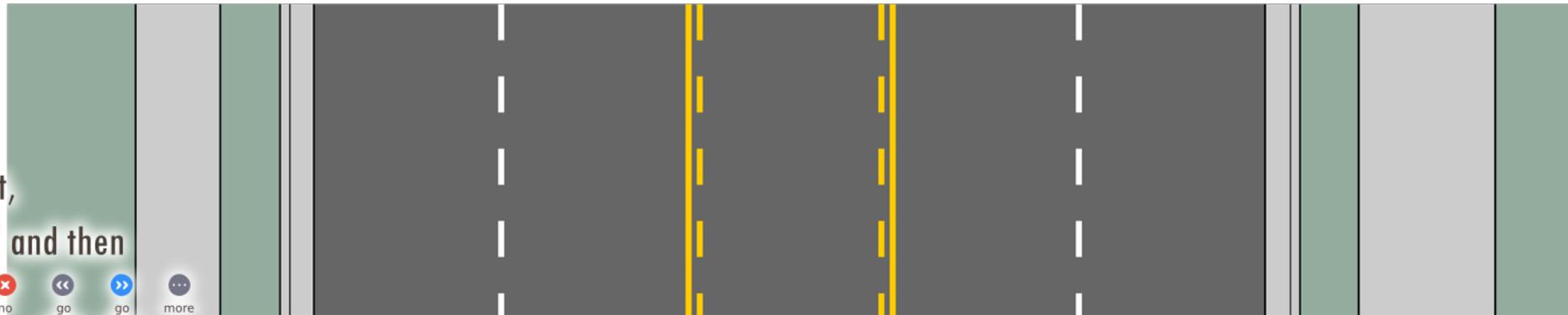
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# Area Roads and Aerial

# PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTION



5-LANE SECTION BLAKE BOTTOM ROAD



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# RIGHT-OF-WAY (ROW) ACQUISITION PROCESS

- Appraisers will be contacting property owners once the appraisal process begins, giving the property owner an opportunity to meet with them before they appraise the property.
- Once appraisals are completed, a written offer of compensation will be made to the owner.

# NEXT STEPS/ANTICIPATED PROJECT SCHEDULE

Conduct Public Involvement Meeting: April 30, 2020

Complete environmental studies and prepare environmental document: June 2020

Receive FHWA approval of environmental document: Summer 2020

Begin right-of-way acquisition process: Fall 2020

Complete engineering design: Summer 2021

Begin construction: Summer 2021

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