

Alternatives

Alternative A: No Build

Under the No Build Alternative, no action would be taken to the facility. This alternative does not address the access issue to the future Hwy 15: therefore it is not considered a viable alternative.

Alternative B:

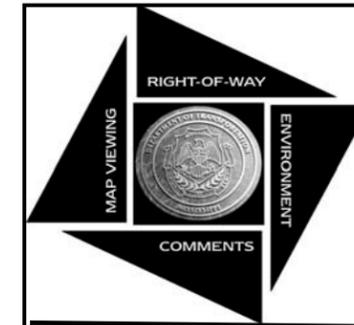
Alternative B consists of a new alignment on new location. It is the northern most alternative and it will include an at grade intersection at Hwy 15 and a grade separated interchange at the future Hwy 15. It's intersection with Hwy 15 is across from the entrance into Dirt Cheap. This alternative will provide a safe connection between Hwy 15 and the future Hwy 15 in the area of Blue Mountain.

Alternative C:

Alternative C consists of a new alignment on new location. It is the middle alternative and it will include an at grade intersection at Hwy 15 and a grade separated interchange at the future Hwy 15. It's intersection with Hwy 15 is across from Grisham Lumber & Supply Inc. This alternative will provide a safe connection between Hwy 15 and the future Hwy 15 in the area of Blue Mountain.

Alternative D:

Alternative D consists of a new alignment on new location. It is the southern most alternative and it will include an at grade intersection at Hwy 15 and a grade separated interchange at the future Hwy 15. It's intersection with Hwy 15 is with a local road that can be used to access County Road 805. This alternative will provide a safe connection between Hwy 15 and the future Hwy 15 in the area of Blue Mountain.



Mississippi Department of Transportation

SR 2 from Hwy 15 to the Future Hwy 15

Open Forum Public Meeting

Thursday, June 18th, 2015 • 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Blue Mountain College
Paschal Student Union Building
201 West Main Street, Blue Mountain, MS



Welcome

The Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) welcome you to this public meeting. We are here to provide an opportunity for the public to view photography and voice opinions and/or concerns relating to the proposed State Route (SR) 2 connection from existing Highway (Hwy) 15 to the future Hwy 15 in Tippah County.

Public meetings benefit citizens as well as MDOT. They allow for an exchange of opinions, ideas, information and suggestions before a final plan is made for a highway design and its construction. The meetings also give MDOT and FHWA personnel the opportunity to share information about the project and to hear citizens' comments, which are often helpful in determining the project's final design.

Your Comments are Important

All who attend this meeting are encouraged to voice their opinions by visiting the table marked "Comments" and completing a Comment Sheet. Your comments can be sent by mail to MDOT Environmental Division, P.O. Box 1850, Jackson, Mississippi 39215, or by email at environmentalcomments@mdot.state.ms.us. This study is ongoing and your continued involvement and suggestions will be most appreciated.

Project Description and Need

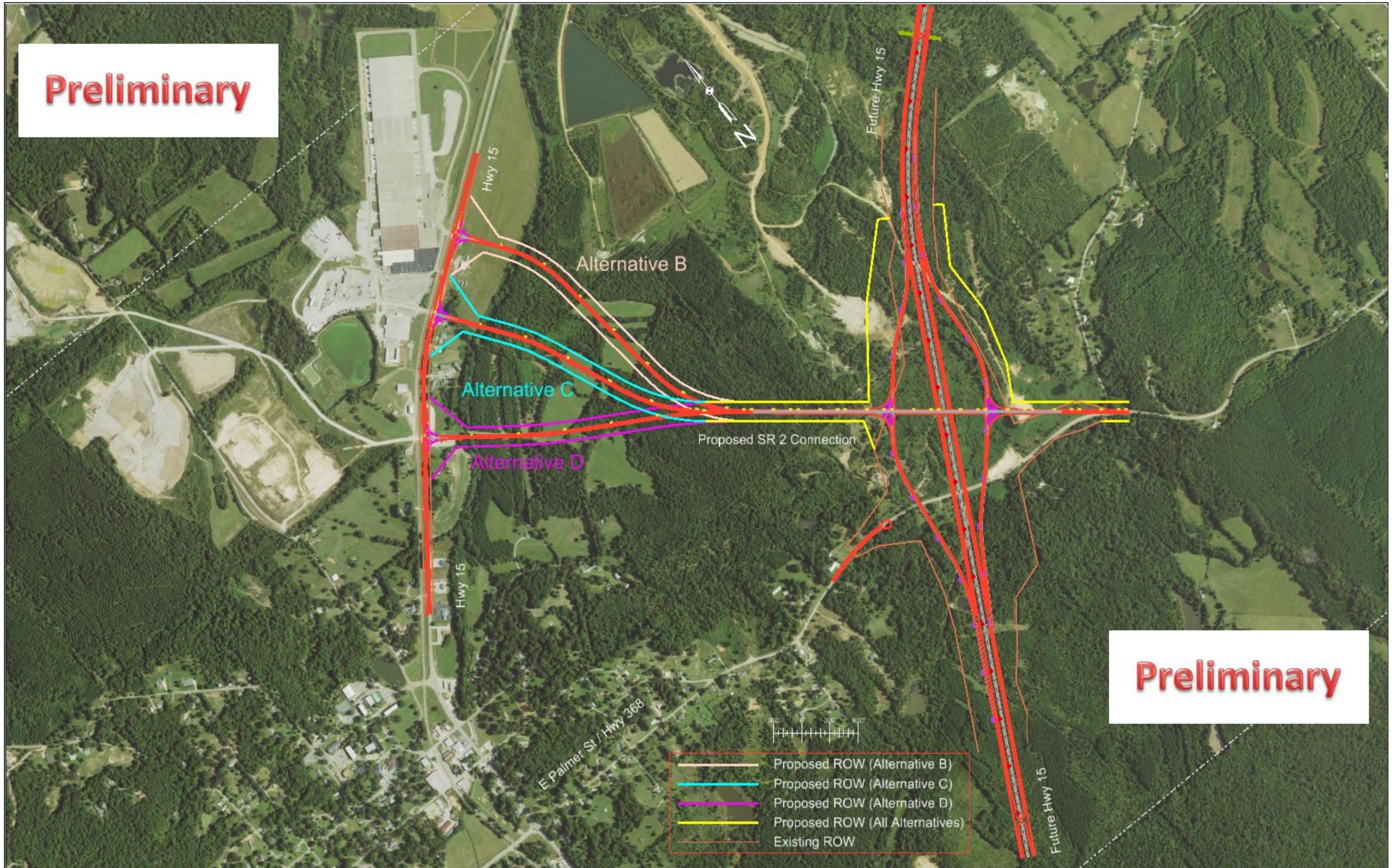
Hwy 15 is a principle arterial in Tippah County and is essential to the transportation network in the area. Due to the volume of traffic on existing Hwy 15 in Blue Mountain, access to nearby cities is less than desirable. The purpose of this project is to provide a new connection to the future Hwy 15 through roadway improvements and new location to provide facility linkage.

In order to provide a linkage route to the future Hwy 15 for the traveling public near Blue Mountain, MDOT is proposing to build a new connection between existing Hwy 15 and the future Hwy 15. These improvements to the local highway network will provide a safer driving environment for the area. It will provide the residents of Blue Mountain a safe and easy way to access the new facility and nearby cities. The new connection will provide transportation infrastructure that will accommodate area growth and support economic development opportunities.



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