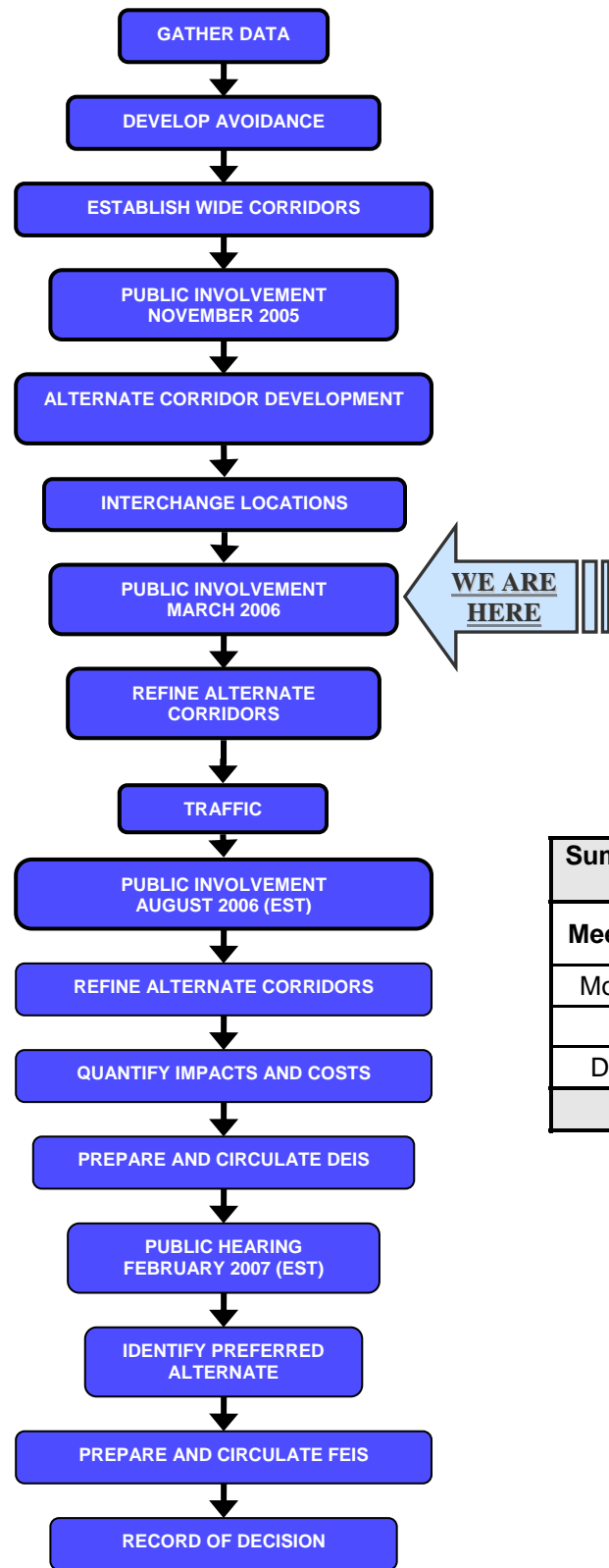


STATE PROJECT NO. NCPD-PE02 (910)  
**I-85 EXTENSION CORRIDOR STUDY**  
**PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS**



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Summary of Attendance and Comment Forms Received at November 2005 Public Involvement Meetings		
Meeting Location	Registered Participants	Comment Forms Received
Montgomery, AL	120	14
Selma, AL	96	9
Demopolis, AL	112	20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>43</b>



**Public Involvement Meeting**

Project: NCPD-PE02 (910)

Autauga, Dallas, Hale, Lowndes, Marengo, Montgomery, Perry, and Sumter Counties

Corridor Study for I-85 Extension from I-59/I-20 near the Mississippi State Line Northeast of Cuba to I-65 near Montgomery

March 2006

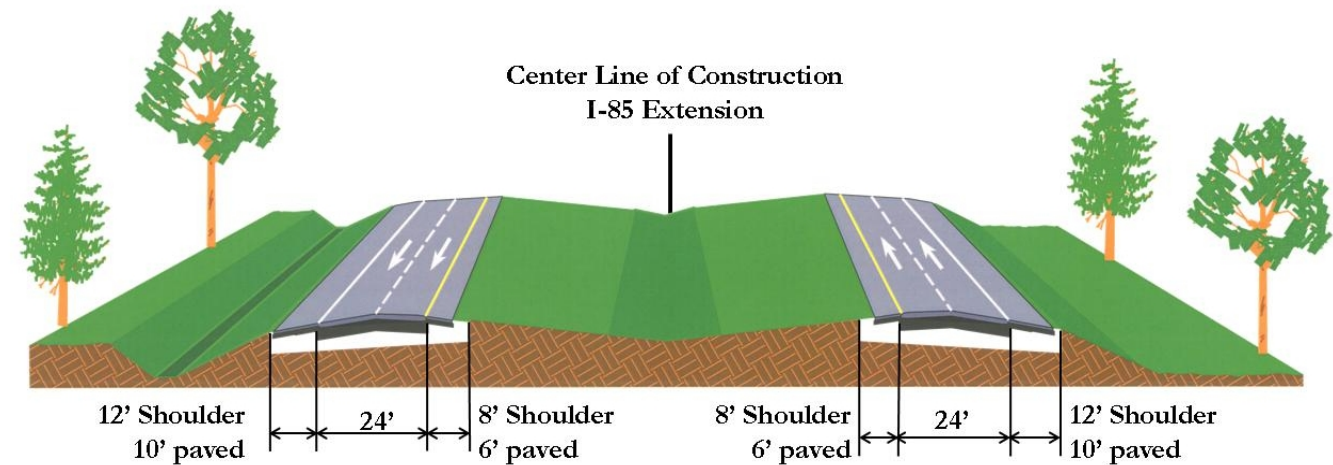
**PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT**

The Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) is committed to involving the public in transportation projects and obtaining input from the people who will be using the proposed transportation systems. This meeting is an "open house" format that allows the public to meet one-to-one with representatives from the ALDOT, FHWA, and the Volkert Team. Citizens in attendance have the opportunity to preview maps showing the alternate corridor limits, view other project data, ask questions about the project, and provide comments to ALDOT regarding the project. Please feel free to direct questions to any of the ALDOT, FHWA, or Volkert representatives in attendance. They can be identified by their name tags.

This public involvement meeting is the second in a series of four meetings conducted during the corridor study phase of the project. Comment sheets are available and can be returned tonight at the registration desk or mailed to the address indicated by March 31, 2006.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

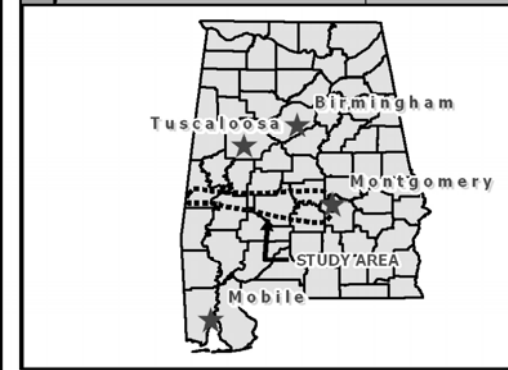
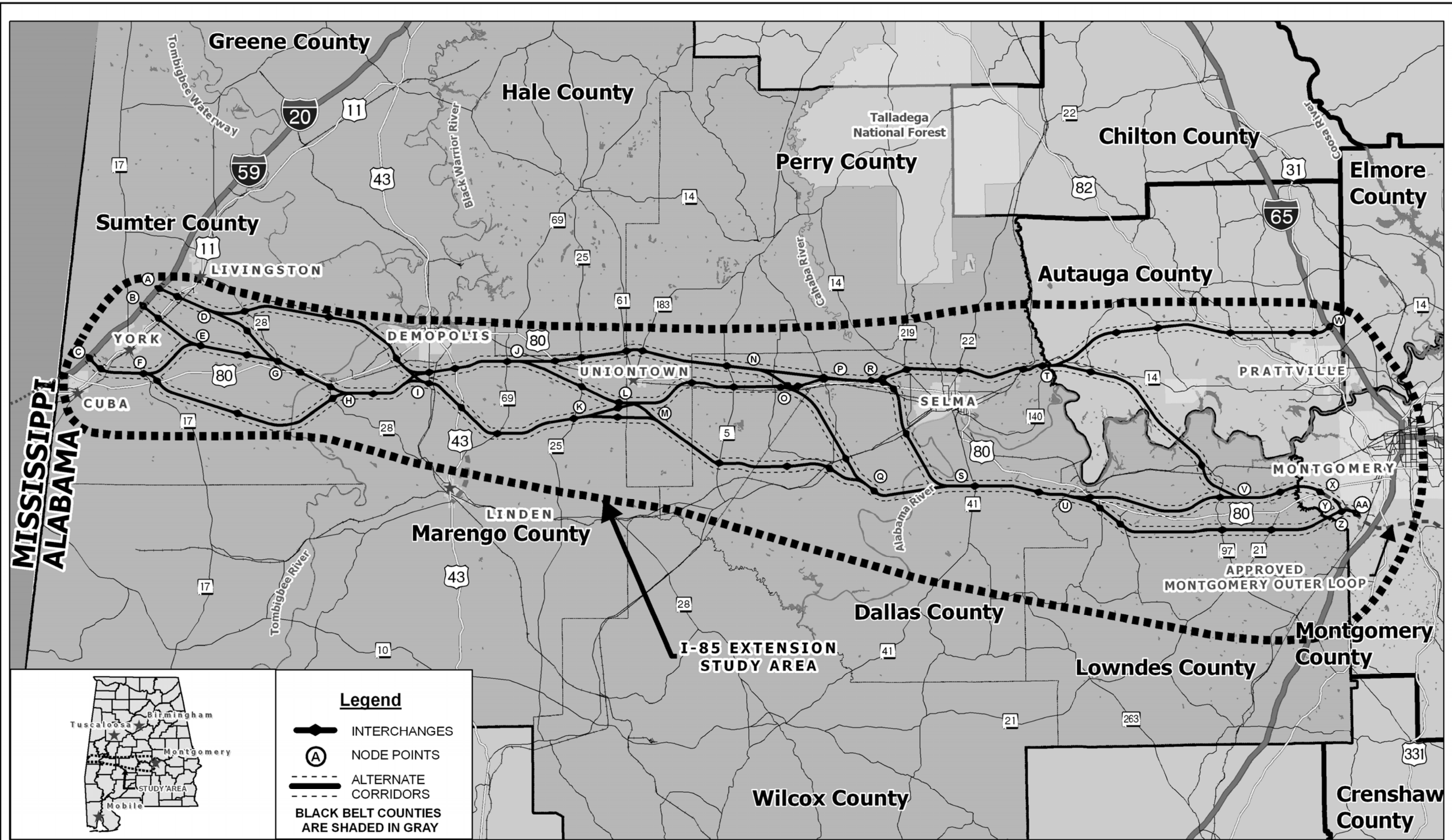
The proposed project will extend I-85 westward from I-65 near Montgomery to I-59/I-20 northeast of Cuba. I-85 will be constructed as a multi-lane, controlled-access facility (interstate) on new location. The roadway will consist of four 12-foot lanes, 10-foot paved outside shoulders, 6-foot paved inside shoulders, and a 90-foot depressed, grassed median. The figure below depicts the proposed roadway.



**FINAL PURPOSE AND NEED STATEMENT**

The Draft Purpose and Need Statement was presented to commenting agencies through the environmental scoping process and also presented to the public during the first series of Public Involvement Meetings held within the Study Area during November 2005. Comments received through these efforts were incorporated into the Final Purpose and Need Statement as presented below.

*"In the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), enacted August 10, 2005, the United States Congress provided \$100 million for the I-85 Extension Project to substantially augment previous smaller funding amounts. The purpose of this project is to provide a connecting link in the freeway/interstate system between I-85 in Montgomery, Alabama, and I-59/20 near the Mississippi state line. The study area includes large parts of six Black Belt Counties (Dallas, Hale, Lowndes, Marengo, Perry, and Sumter), as well as Autauga and Montgomery Counties. A new interstate connector will improve system linkage, provide a safe and efficient transportation corridor, and enhance economic opportunities for the Black Belt and other areas in the region."*



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**I-85 EXTENSION ALTERNATE CORRIDORS**  
**PROJECT NCPD-PE02(910)**  
**CONTRACT ID NO. 813**

**PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT MEETINGS**  
**MARCH 13, 14, 16, 2006**

Note: The proposed alternate corridors and interchange locations shown on this map are preliminary and are subject to change. To be used for presentation only and not to be used for construction purposes.