Huntsville's Heartbeat:

Assessing and Improving the I-565/Memorial Parkway Interchange









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Today's Agenda

Why is this important?

Project History

What's in the way?

The Process

What's next?

I-565 Memorial Parkway

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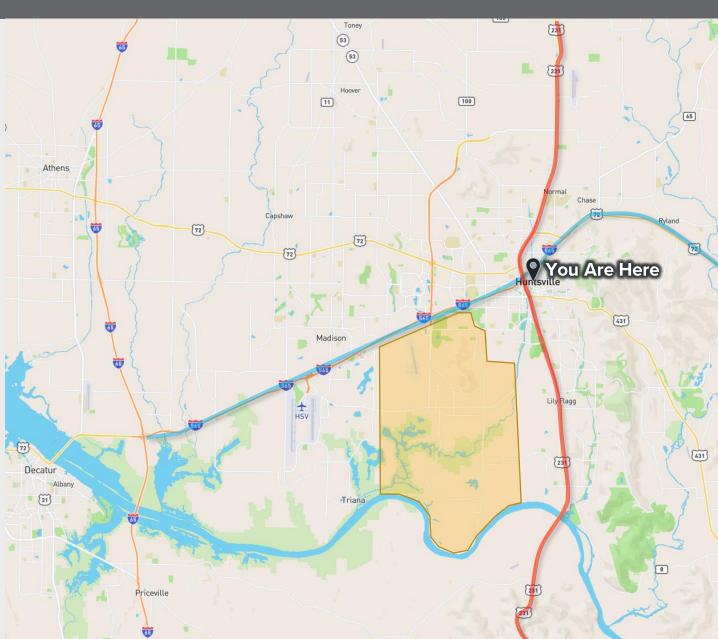
Why is this important?

Critical Link

- Primary North-South/East-West Interchange
- SR 53, US 231, US 431, I-565, US-72

Purpose and Need

- Congestion Reduction for Interchanging Traffic
- Improved Access to Downtown





Where are we?

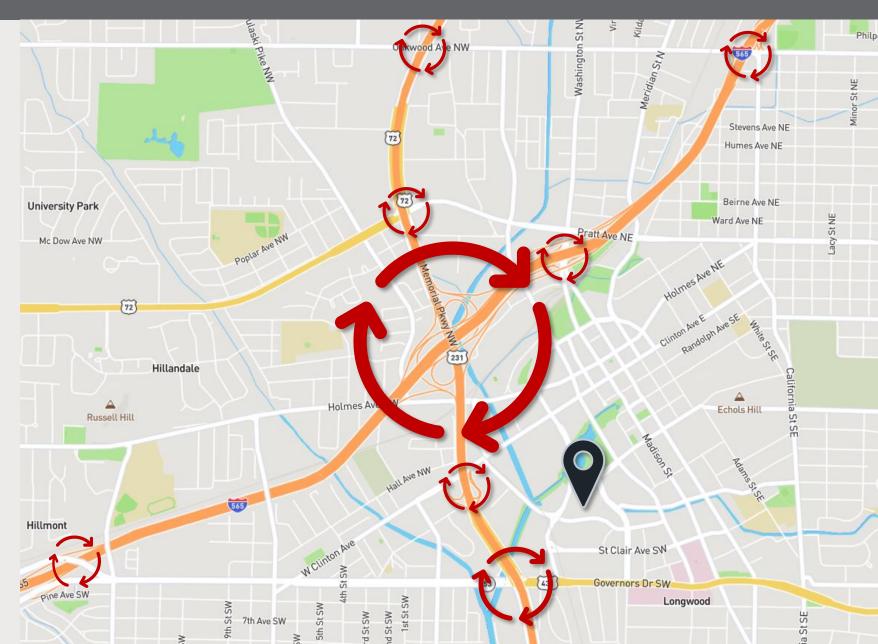




How BIG is this thing?

Auxiliary Interchanges

- Governors Drive
- Clinton Avenue
- University Drive (US 72)
- Washington St (Downtown)
- Oakwood Avenue (twice)
- Jordan Lane (SR 53)



Addressing the City's Long-Range Plan

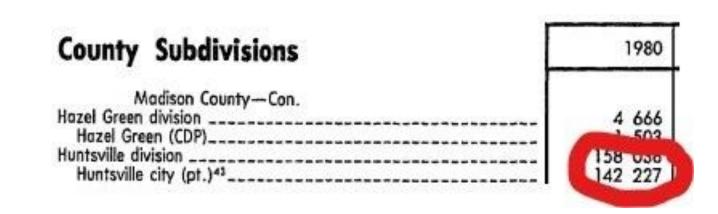
Project History



How did we get here?

Interchange History

- Design Mid-1980's
- Mainline 565 Bridges Late 80's 1991
- Parkway Bridges 1991
- Opened 1992
- Design Year +/- 2005 (Assuming 20 yr. Horizon)
- FY 2016 City CIP (2025)
- Assessment Contract 2018
- TRiP 2045 #1 Visionary Project



VISIONARY PROJECT RANKINGS: EXPRESSWAYS				
Based on 2045 FC Volume/Capacity Ratios				
RANK	PROJECT	FROM	то	DESCRIPTION
1	US 231/431 Memorial Pkwy.	@ I 565 Interchange		Interchange Modification
2	AL 255	@ I 565 Interchange		Interchange Modification
3	AL 255	@ US 72 Interchange		Interchange Modification
4	AL 255	US 72	AL 53	Widening to 6-lanes
N.R.	Memphis to Huntsville to Atlanta Hwy.	I 65	I 565	New Road
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Understanding the Site

What's in the way?



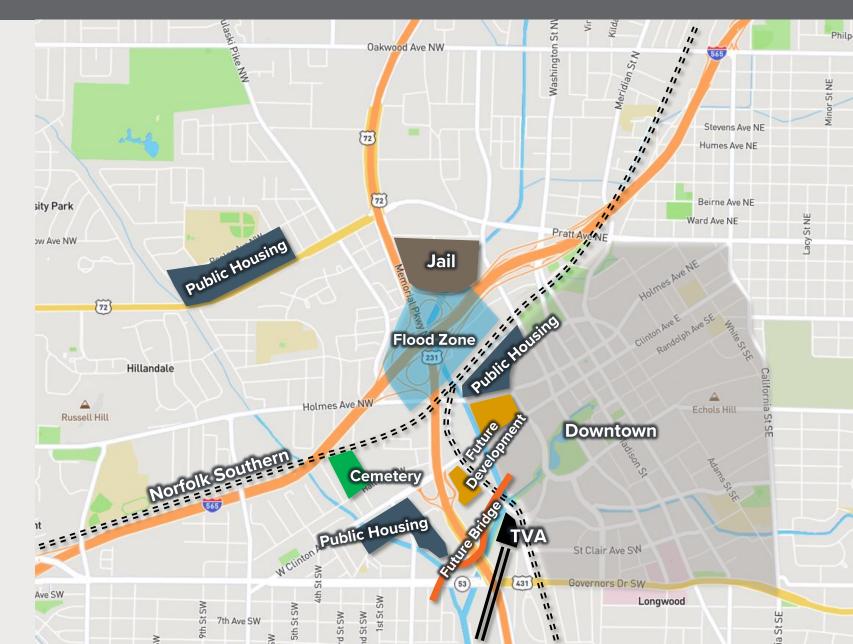
What's in the way?

Existing Restrictions

- Municipal Jail
- Norfolk Southern Main Line Rail
- Flood Zone
- Glenwood Cemetery
- Public Housing

Future Restrictions

- Constellation Development
- Coca-Cola Site
- Signature Pedestrian Bridge



The Interchanges Within the Interchange

The Problems

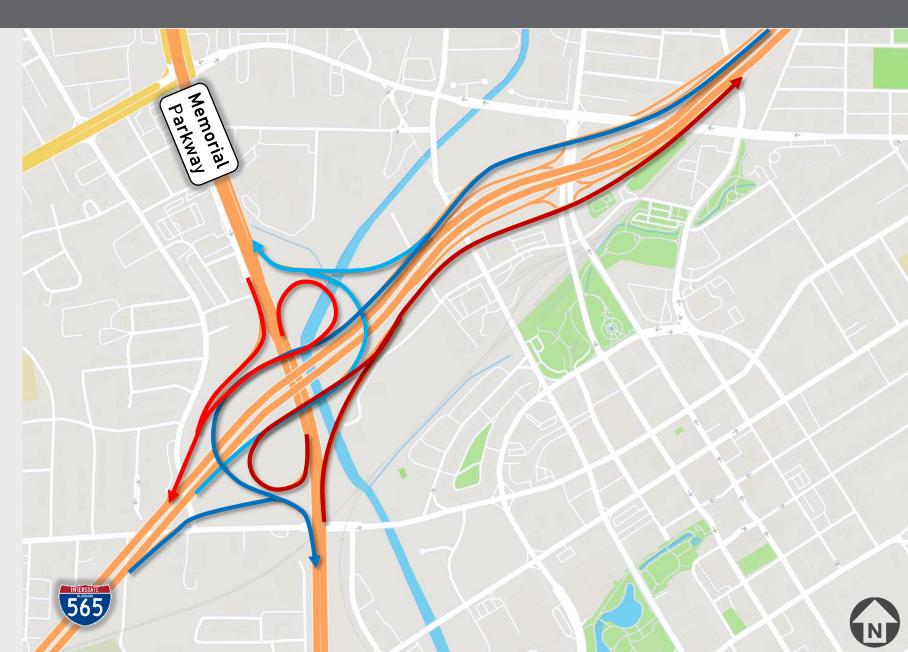


Where do we START?

Interconnected Design

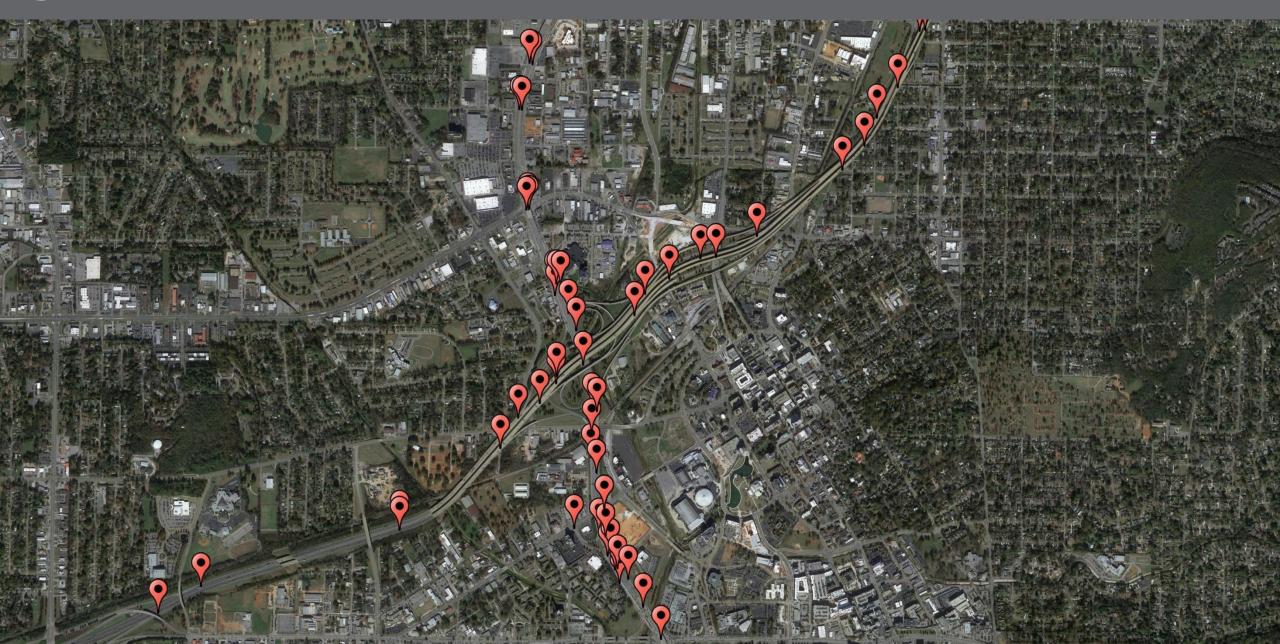
565 to Parkway

Parkway to 565



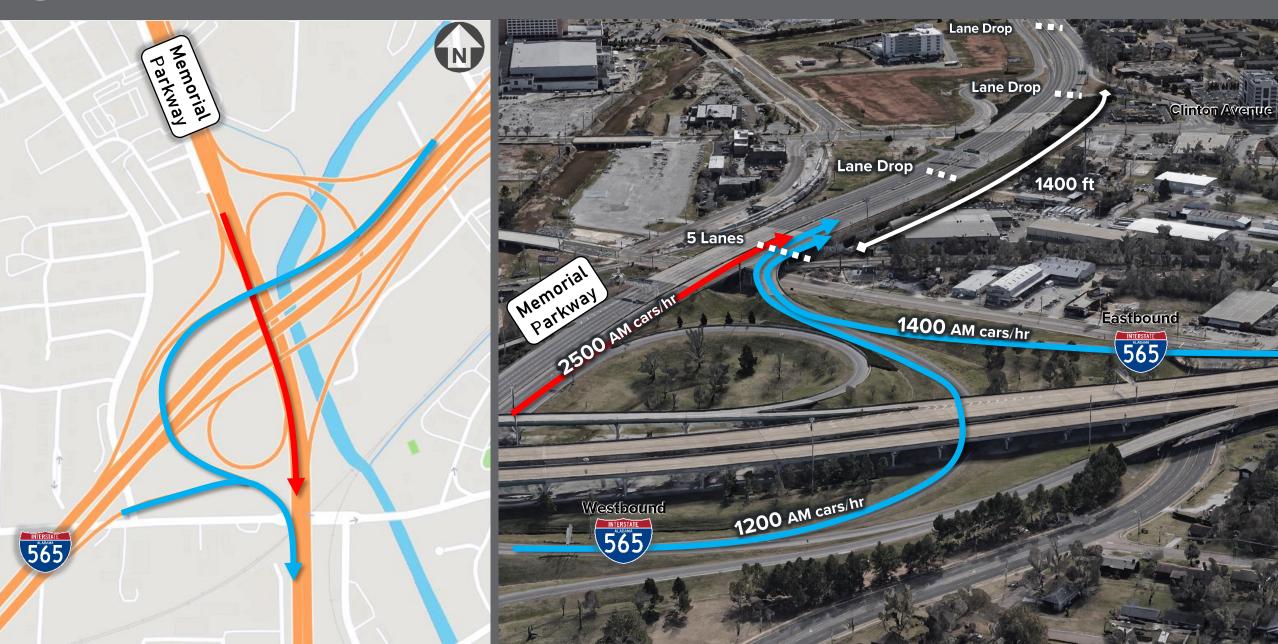


Count Locations





I-565 to Parkway Southbound



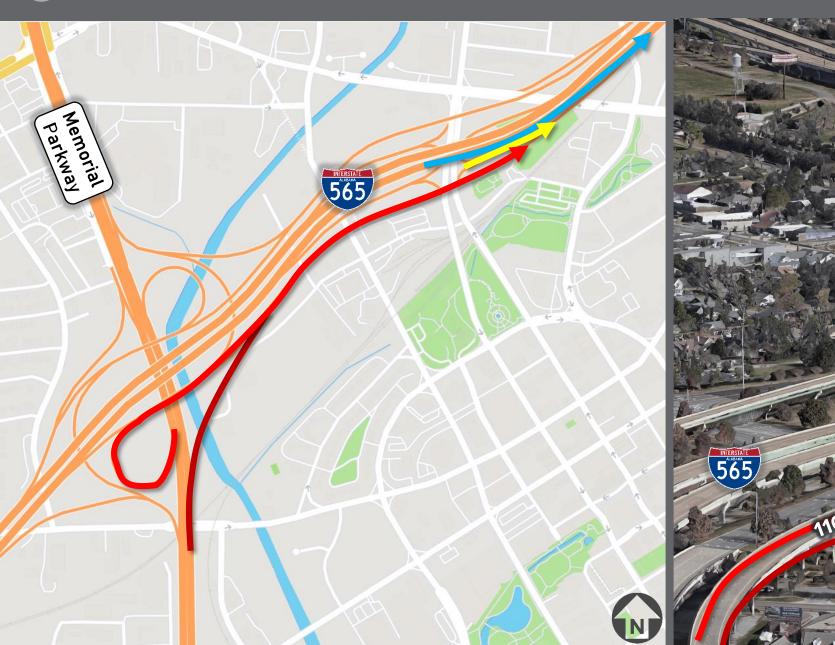


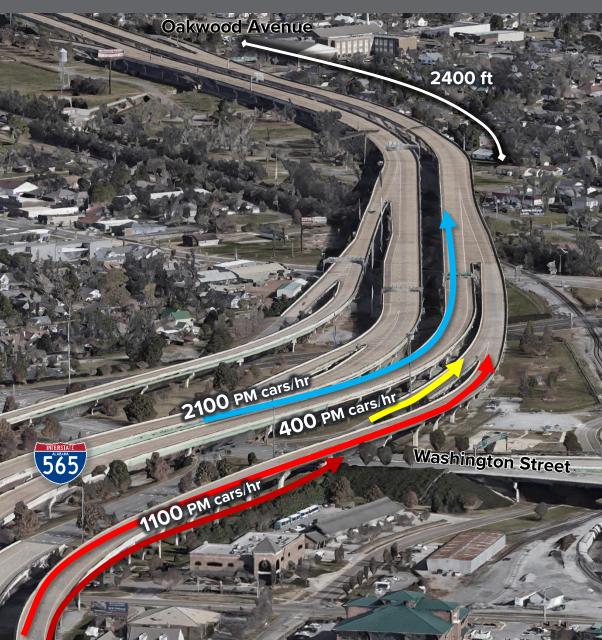
I-565 to Parkway Northbound





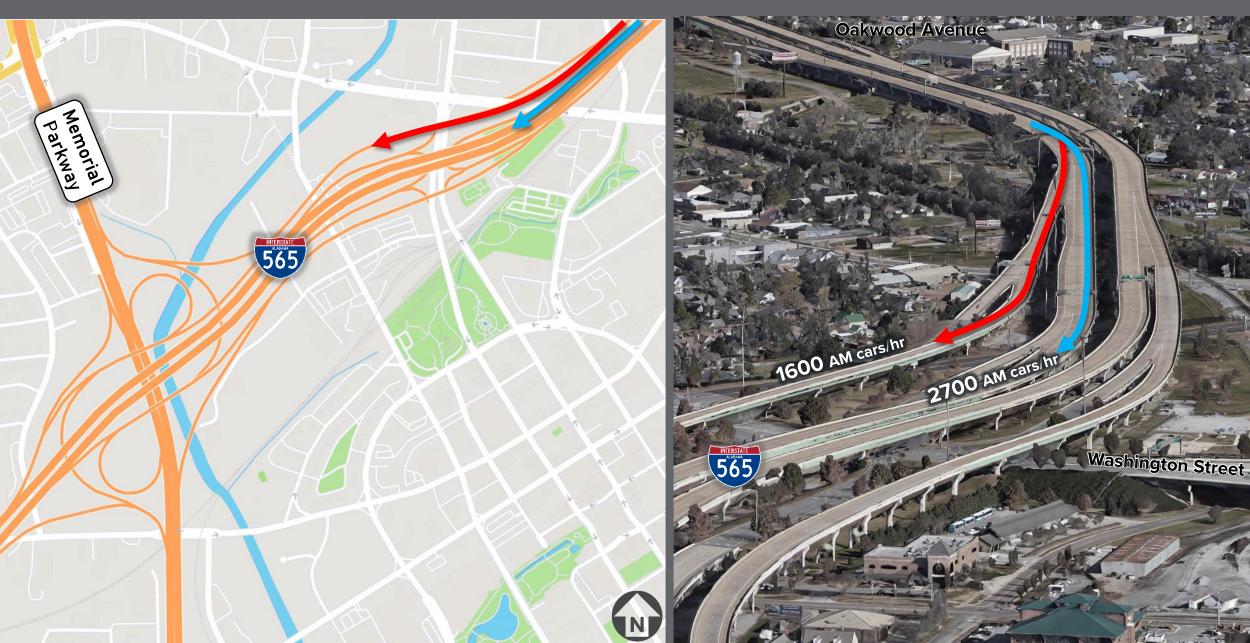
Parkway to I-565 Eastbound







I-565 Westbound to Parkway





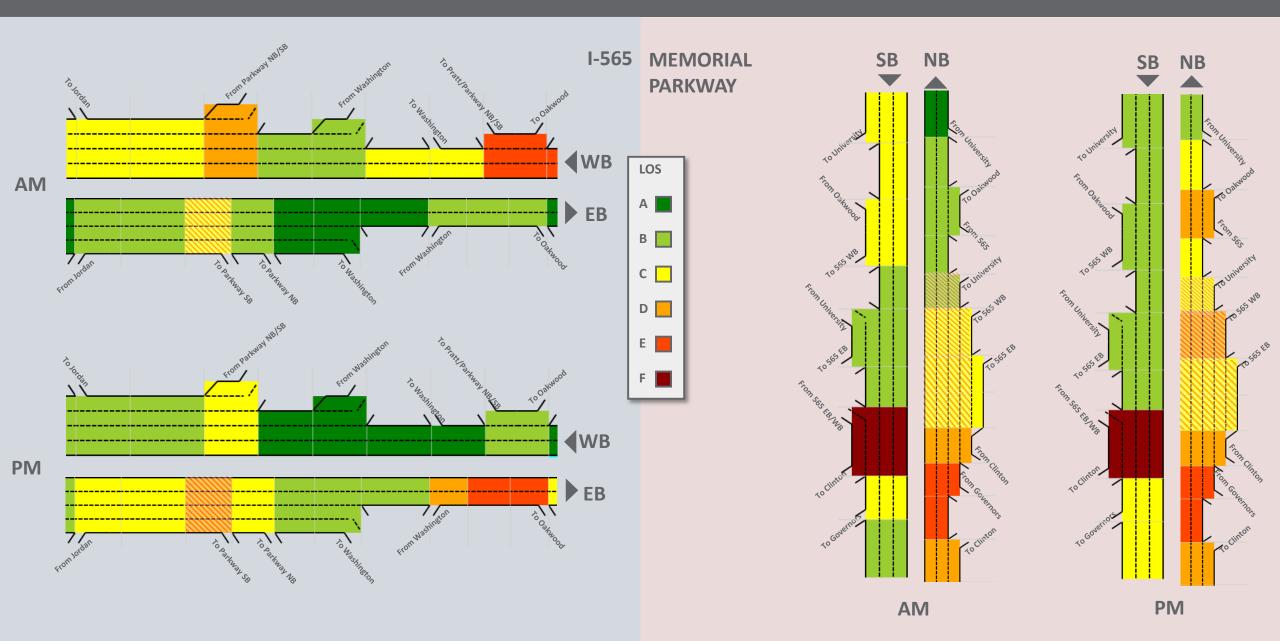
Ramp Density



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The Process



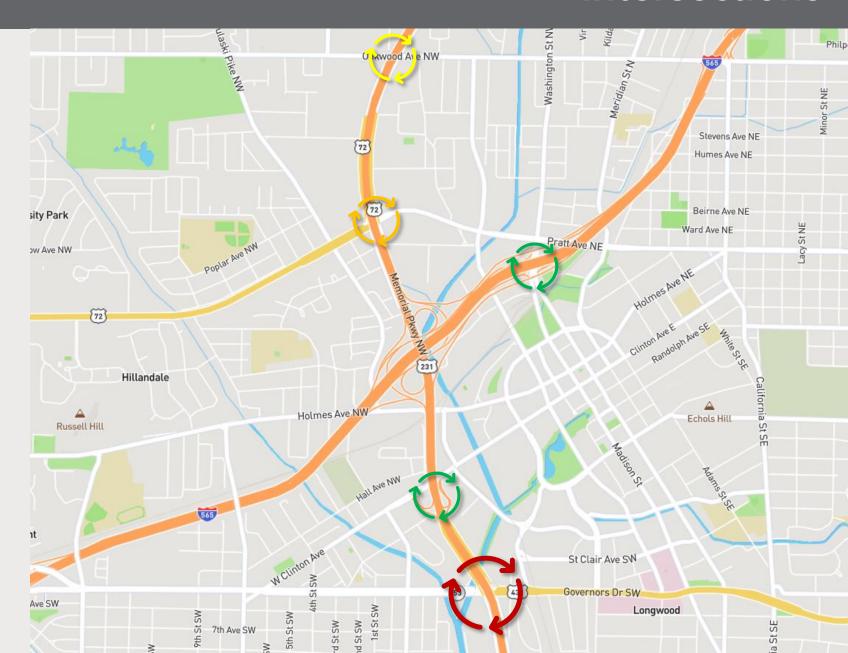




Intersections

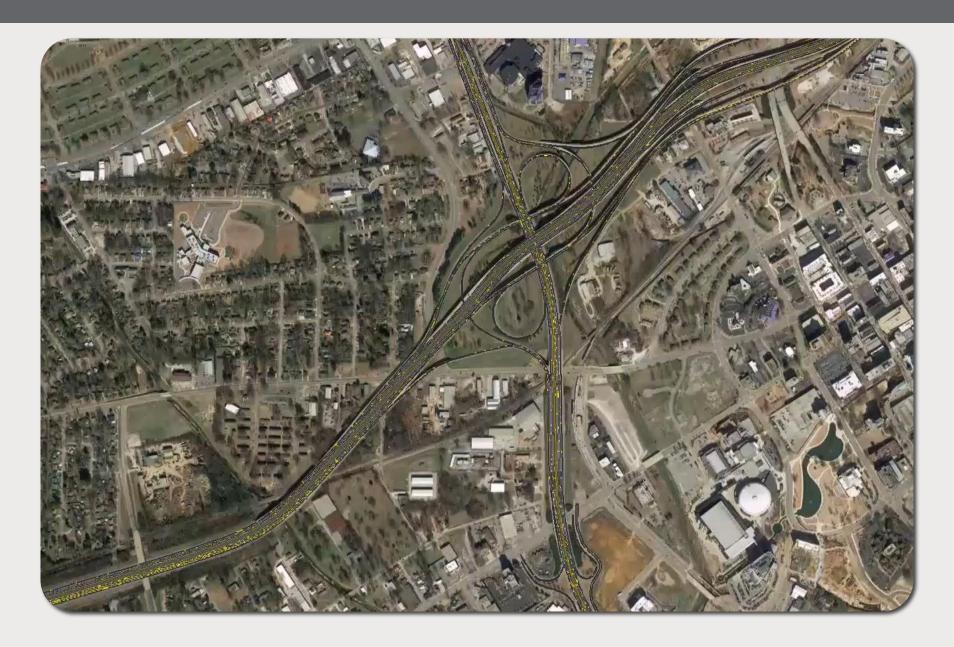
Auxiliary Interchanges

- Governors Drive LOS F
- Clinton Avenue LOS B
- University Drive LOS D
- Washington Street LOS A
- Oakwood Avenue LOS C

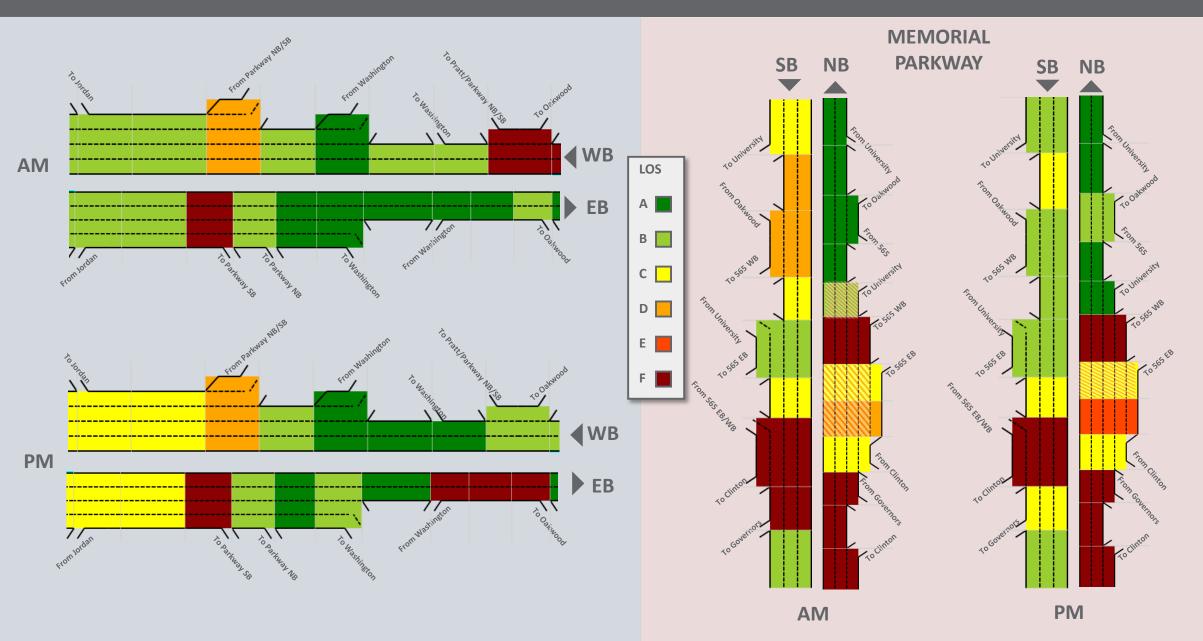




Simulation

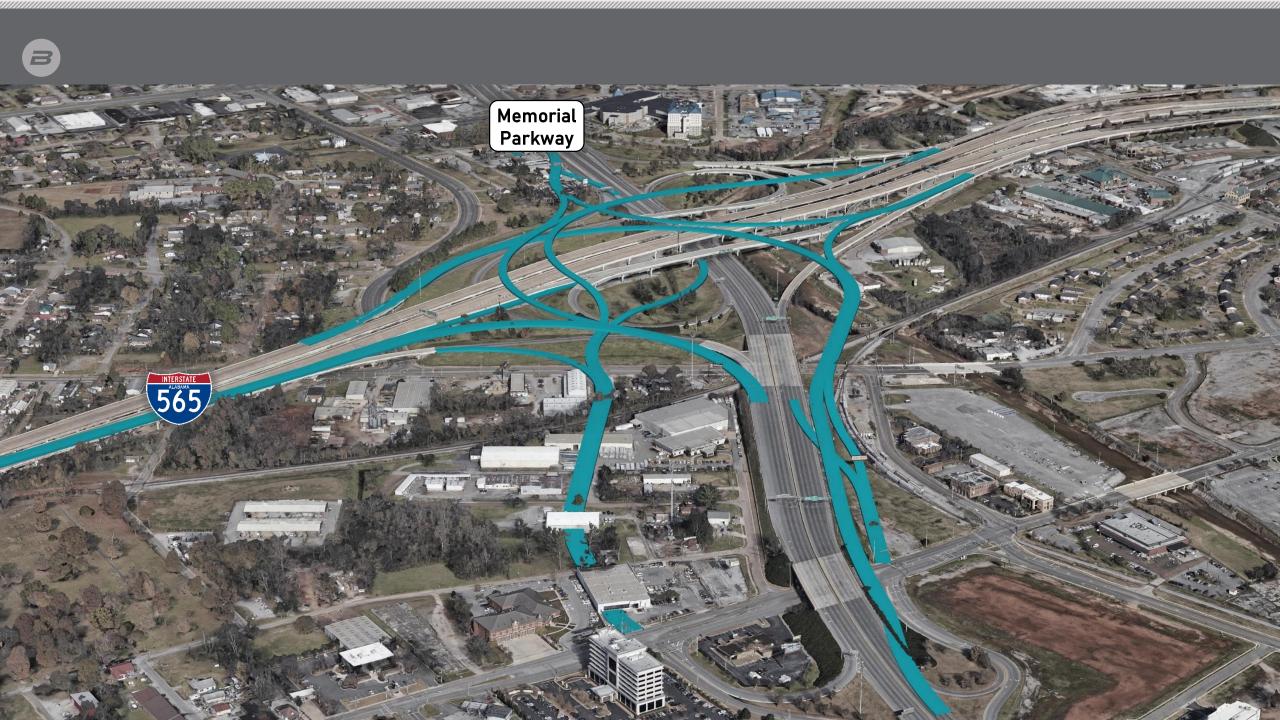


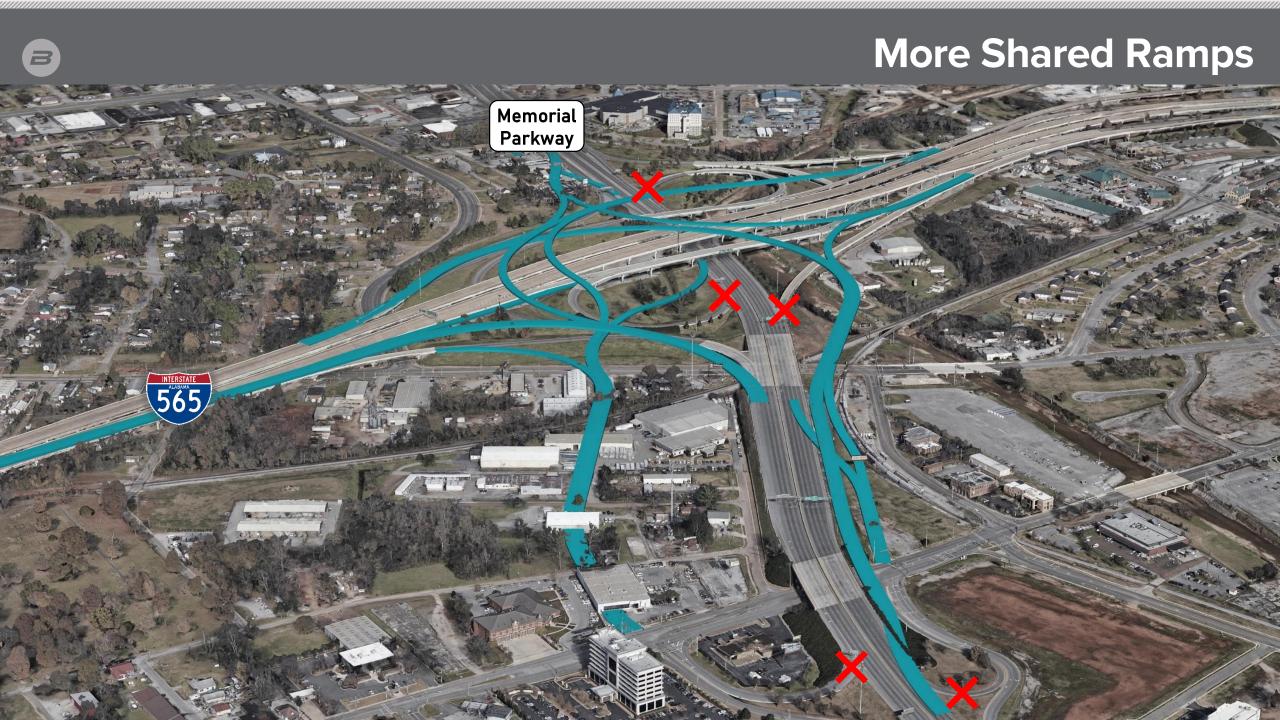


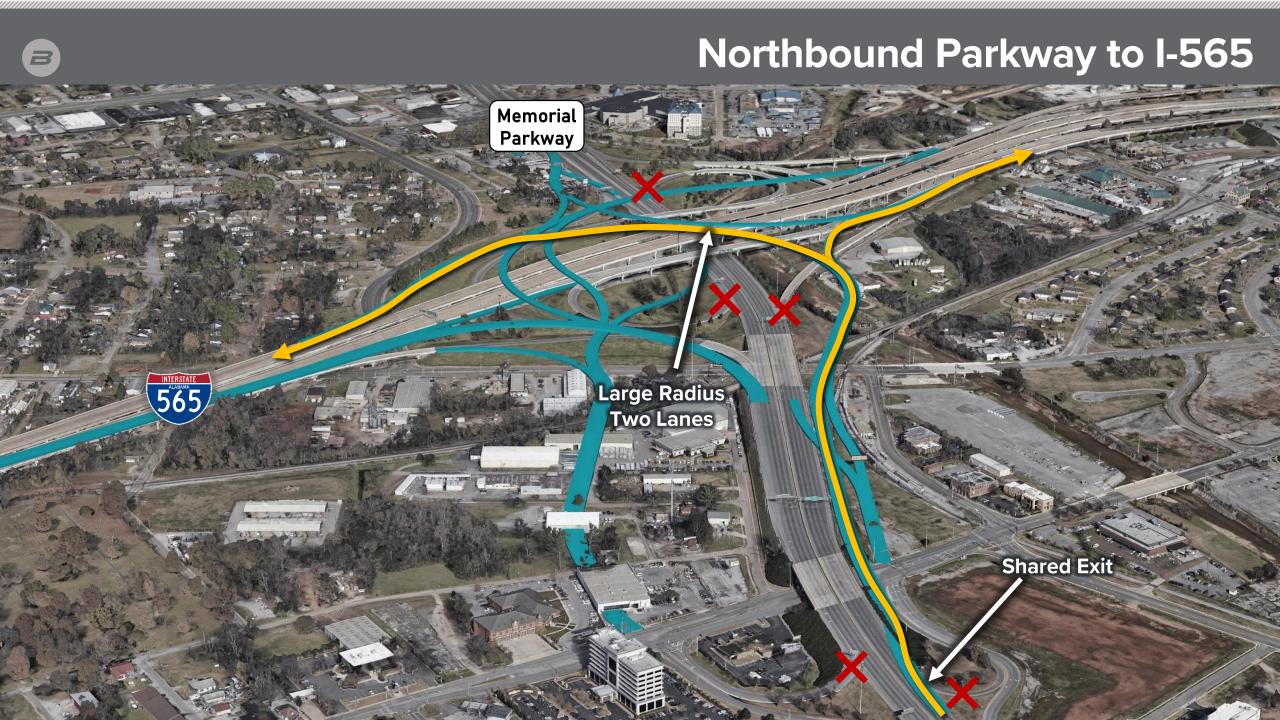


Looking Ahead to 2045 and Beyond

What's next?

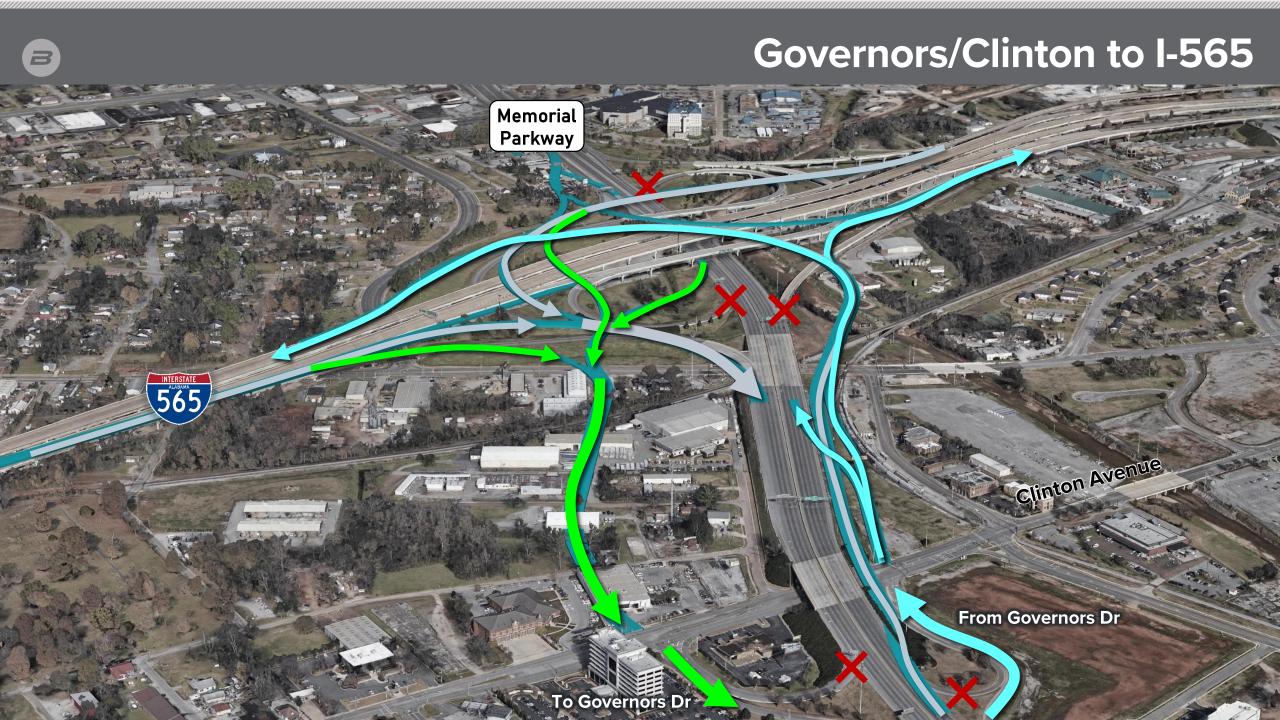






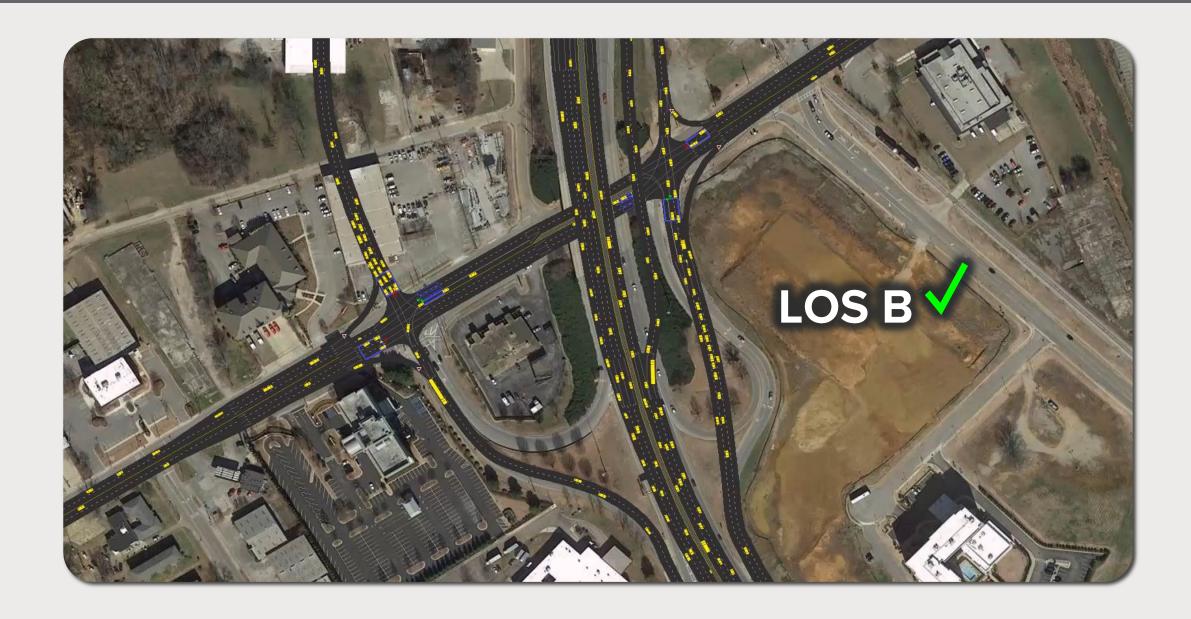






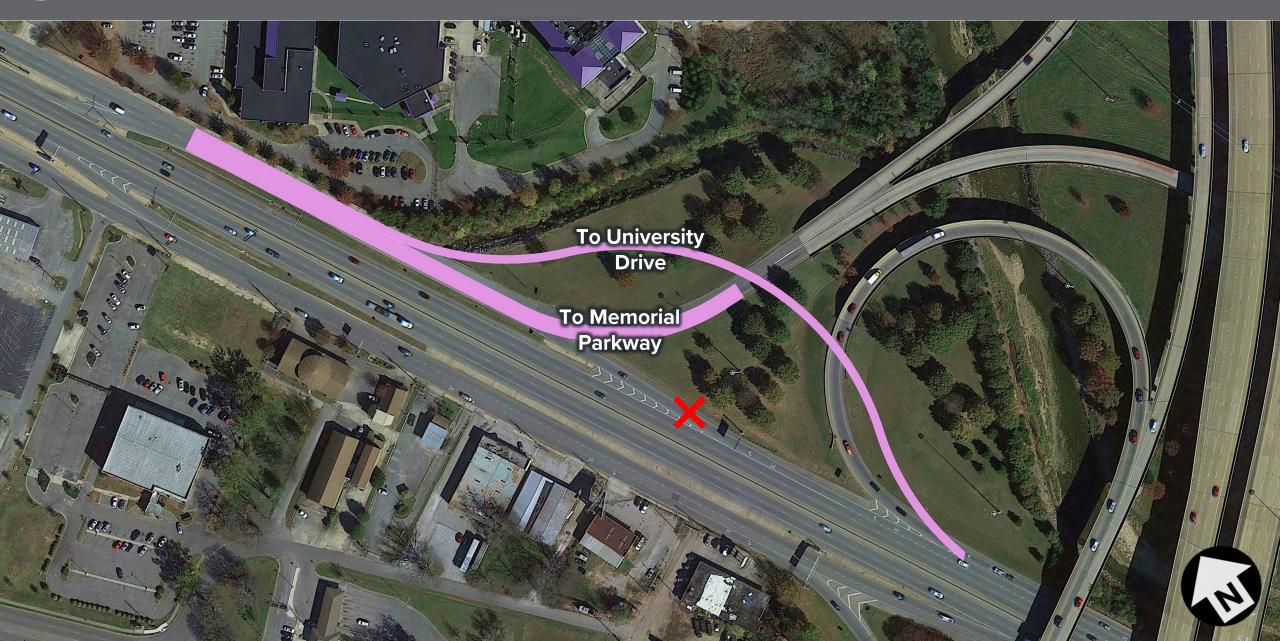


Governors/Clinton and I-565





University Drive



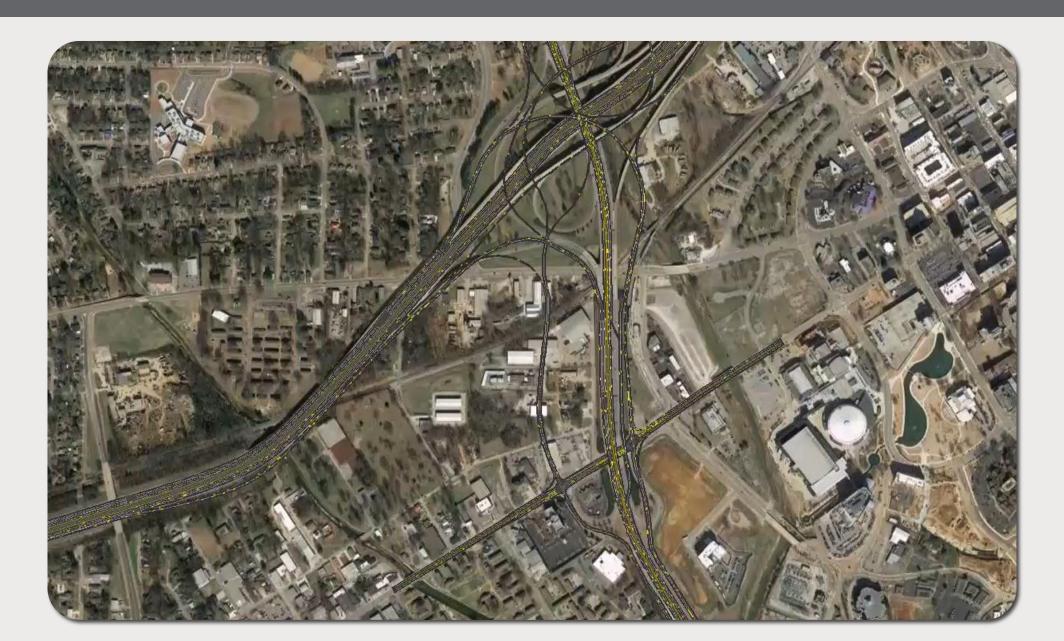


I-565 East to/from Parkway



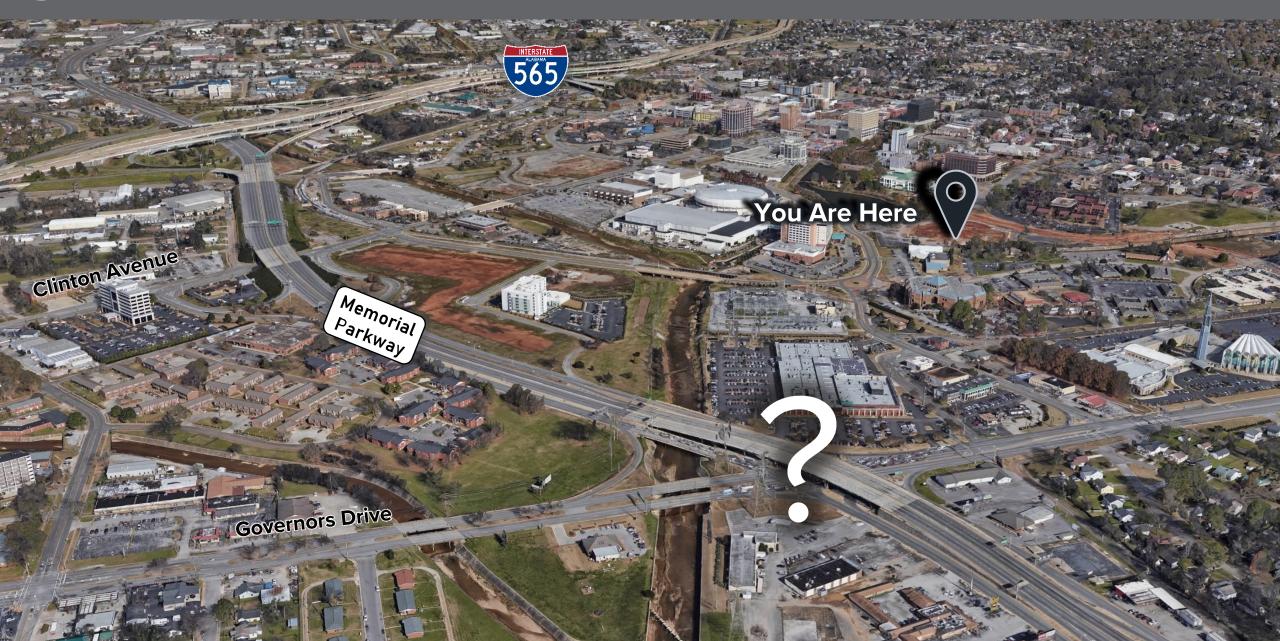


Governors/Clinton and I-565





Governors Drive Interchange





Next Steps...

Conclusion

Questions?

Thank you.





