

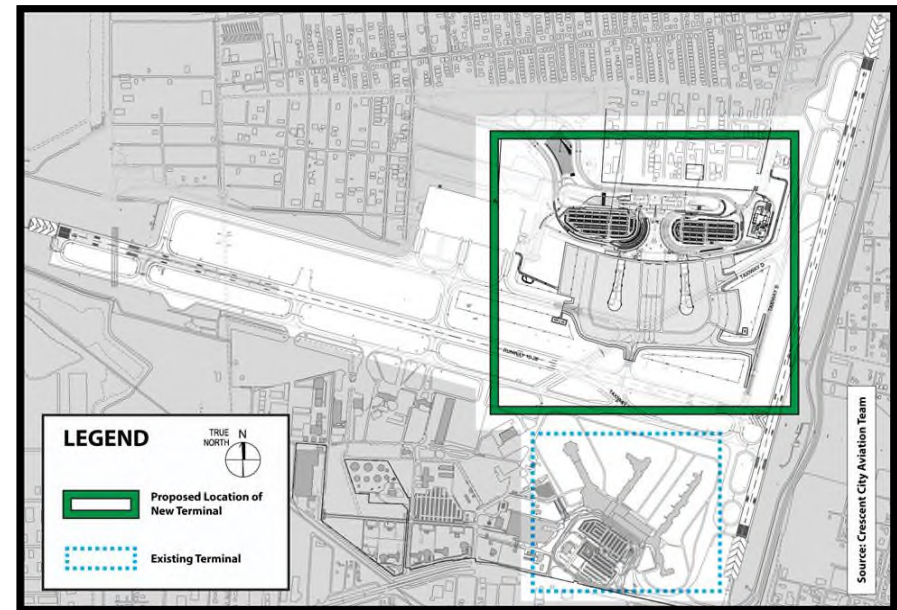
Loyola Interchange Improvements for the new MSY Airport Terminal



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Presentation Overview

- Expansion of the Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport (MSY)
- Information and history of the new and old terminals
- Focus on the improvements at the Loyola Interchange
- IMR and EA documents
- Loyola interchange Alternatives
- Update on the current construction



South Terminal (Old)

- Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport (MSY).
- Built in 1959, over 60 years old.
- Approximately 80% of all passengers flying into the state of LA use this Airport.
- Approximately 17% passenger growth from 2016 to 2018 was projected.
- Very outdated and inefficient.

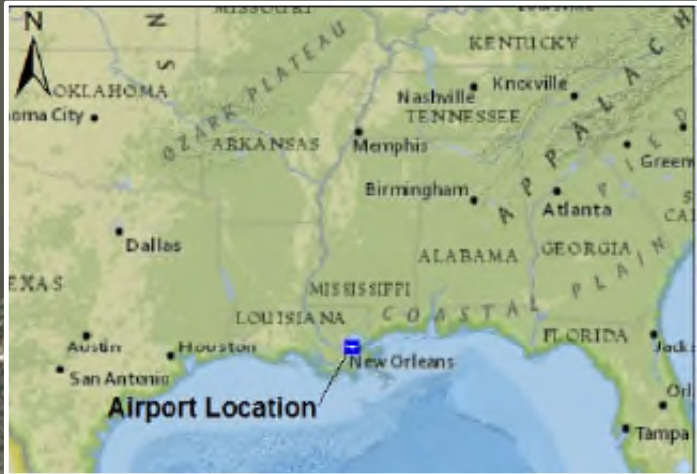
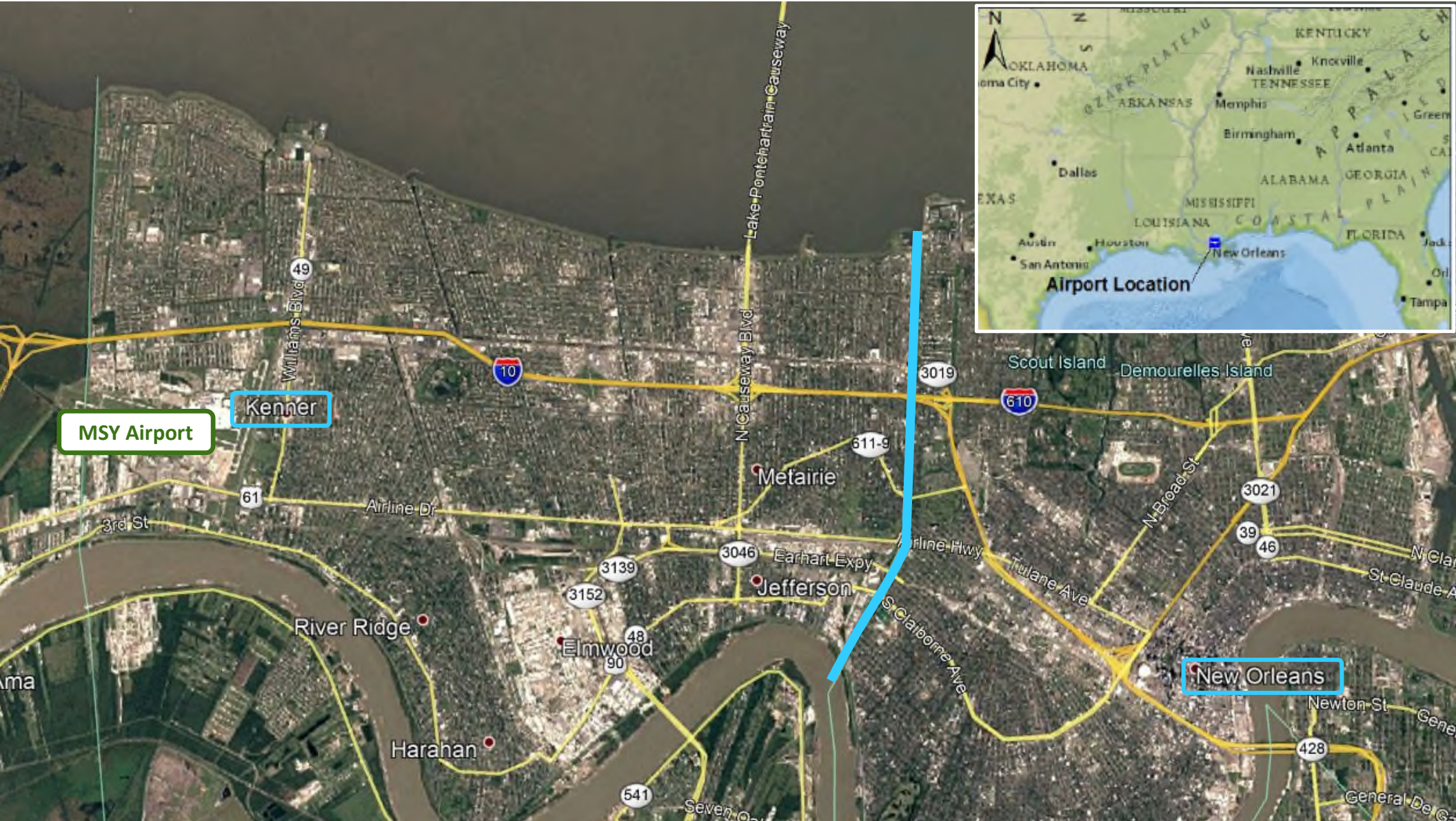


Louis Armstrong New Orleans
International Airport



Source: Google Earth 2017



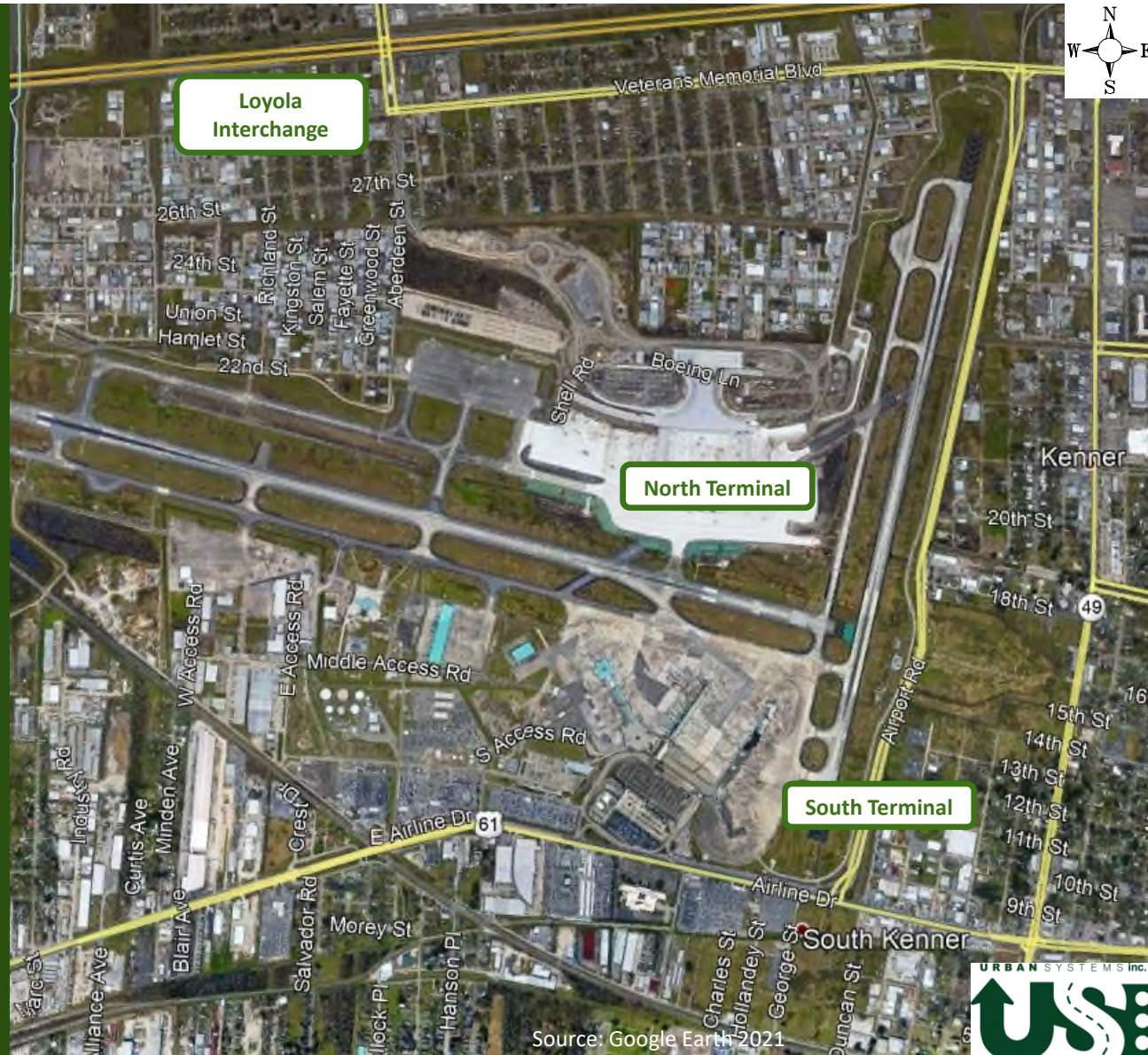


North Terminal (New)

- Construction began in January 2016 and opened in November 2019
- 972,000 sqft
- 3 concourses
- 8,000 parking spaces
- Approximately \$1 billion dollar cost
- Utilizes existing runways
- More efficient



Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport



Source: Google Earth 2021



Loyola Dr Interchange

- Traditional Diamond Interchange
- Loyola Interchange and Veterans Blvd intersection are signalized
- Veterans Blvd: ~20,000 ADT
- Loyola Dr (South of I-10):~20,000 ADT
- Loyola Dr (North of I-10): ~40,000 ADT
- I-10: ~100K-140K ADT

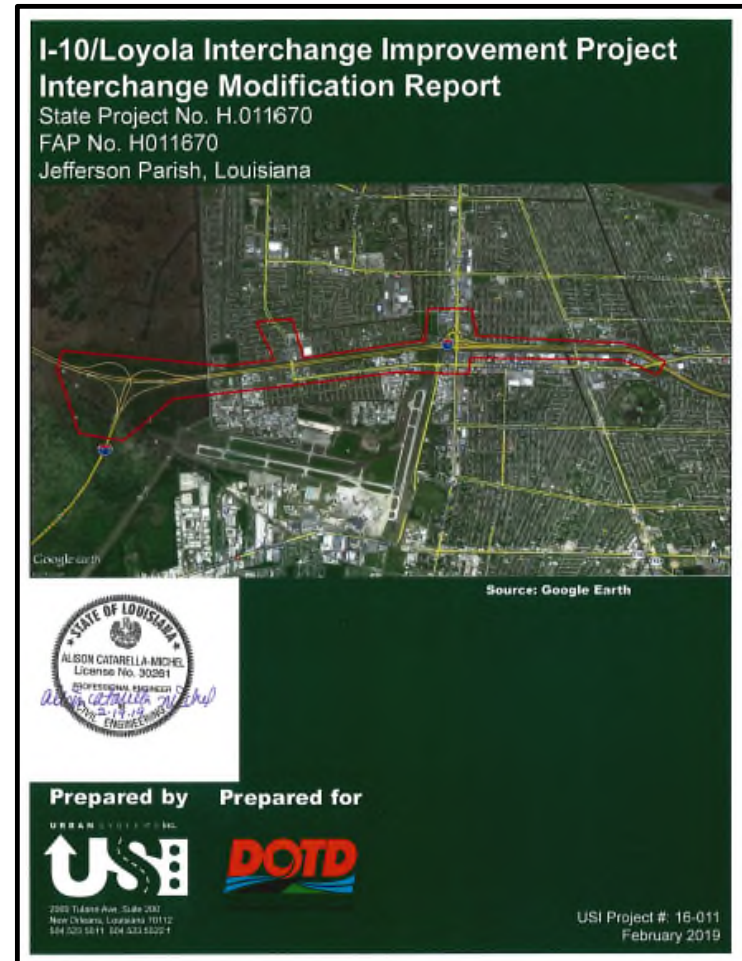


Purpose and Need

- Improve operational conditions at the I-10/Loyola Interchange
- Increase the capacity of this interchange
 - *To accommodate future traffic demand in the area*
 - *To serve as the primary ingress and egress for airline passenger traffic to the new MSY Airport terminal*

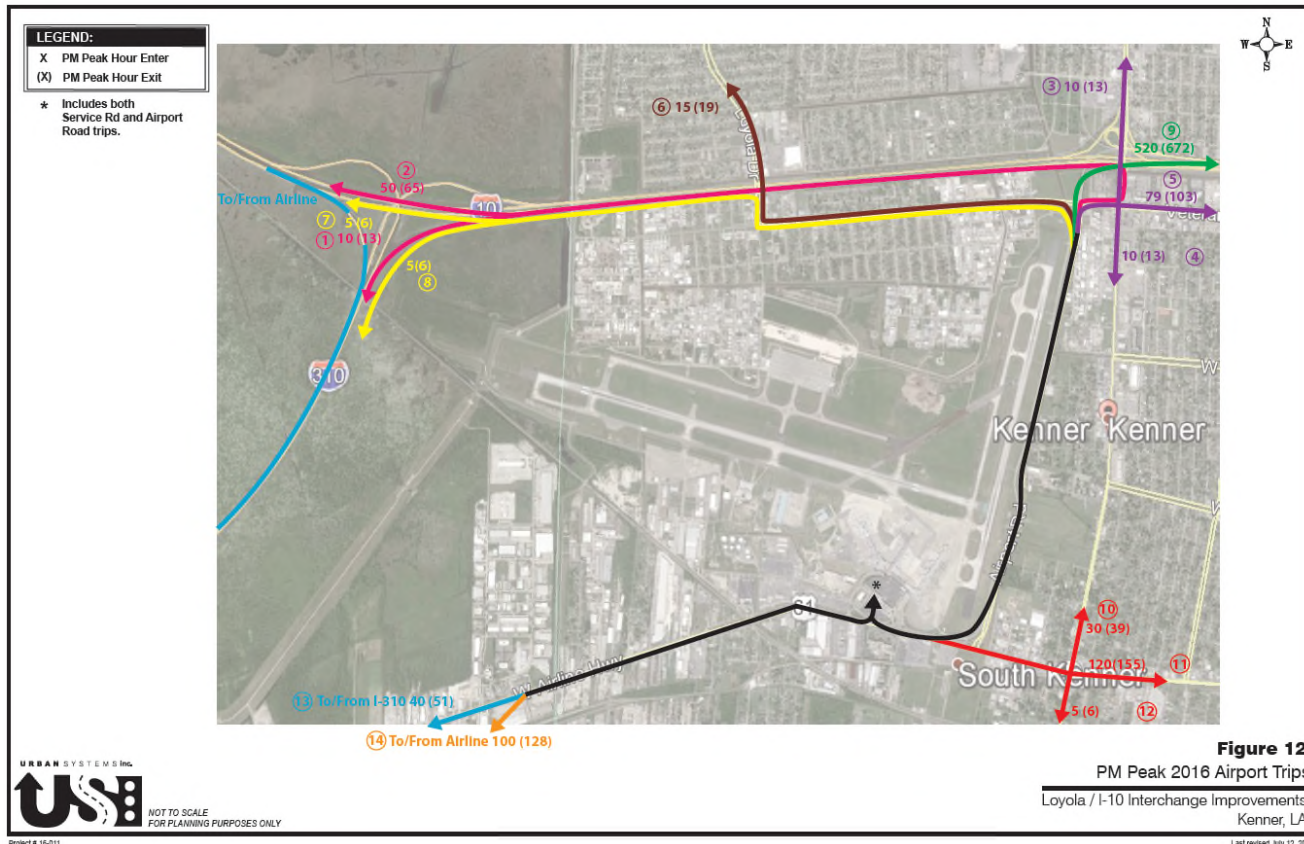
IMR Document

- Interchange Modification Report (IMR) for the Loyola Interchange.
- Followed FHWA and LADOTD Guidelines.
- Included the ITE Tier I-III analysis, data collection, safety analysis, capacity analysis and VISSIM modeling.
- Notice to Proceed March 2016
- Data collection in 2016.
- Completed in February 2019.



Data Collection

- Data collected in early 2016. Included Peak Hour Turning Movement Counts at 35 locations.
- Estimated “Base” Airport Traffic for the AM and PM Peaks and for Entering and Exiting the Airport.
- Peak of approx. **1,300** vehs/ hr entering and **1,800** vehs/ hr exiting the Airport in 2016.
- Travel time runs.
- Broken down by 14 Origins/ Destinations.
- Origin/ destination was estimated using TMC data as well as upstream/ downstream video.



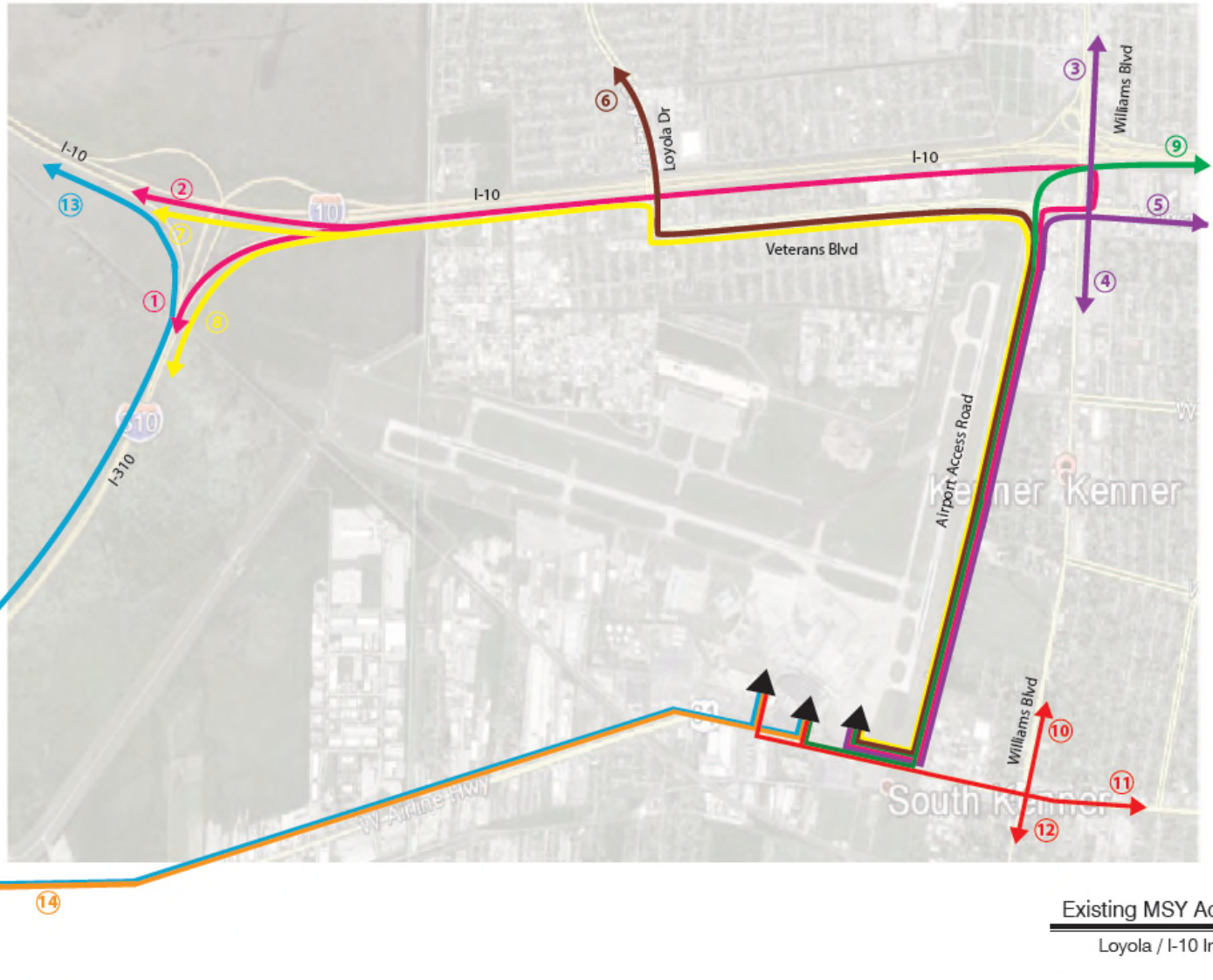
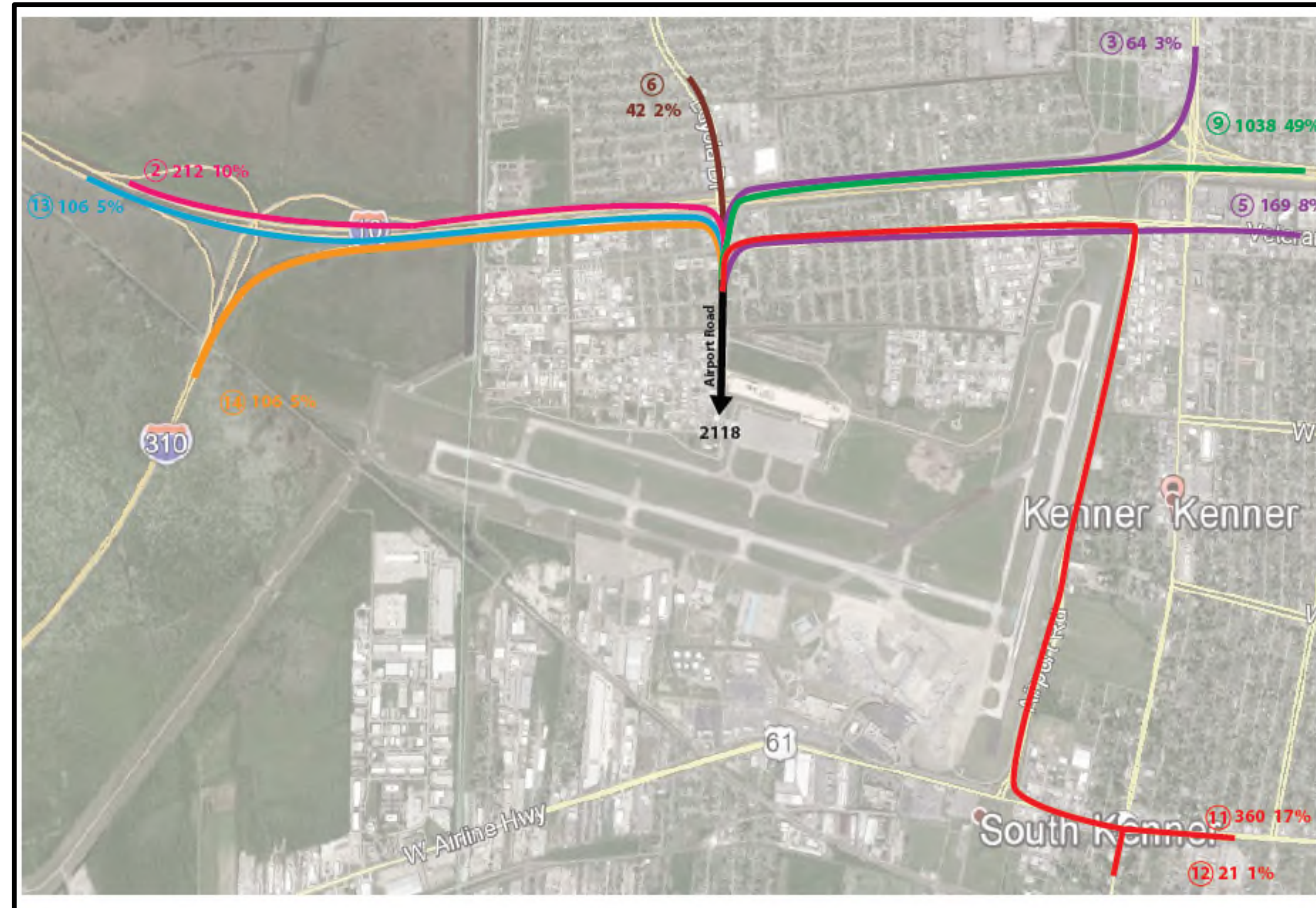


Figure 4.4
 Existing MSY Access Routes
 Loyola / I-10 Interchange IMR
 Kenner, LA

Last revised September 7, 2016

Re-routed Airport Traffic

- Data was grown to a design year of 2040.
- Different growth rates for Airport traffic, Interstate traffic and surface streets.
- Airport traffic volumes were re-routed based on the 14 Origins/ Destinations.
- Peak of approx. **2,118** vehs entering and **2,935** vehs exiting in 2040.
- Significant increase to the Loyola Interchange.




Environmental Assessment Document

- Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Loyola Interchange.
- Followed FHWA and NEPA Guidelines.
- Included the ITE Tier I-III analysis with a focus on environmental impacts.
- Determine Environmental Impacts.
- Goal to obtain a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).
- Public outreach.
- 8 sub-consultants.
- Notice to Proceed in November 2017.
- Received the FONSI in December of 2018.
- Approved EA document in **400 days**.


ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT with
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

I-10/Loyola Dr. Interchange Improvement
JEFFERSON PARISH

State Project No. H.011670
Federal Aid Project No. H011670



DECEMBER 2018



How were the Alternatives Developed?



IMR and EA

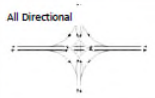
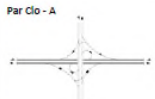
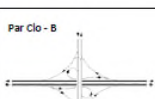
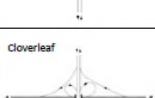
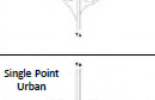
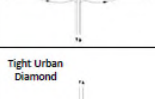


Tier I (IMR)

I-10/Loyola Interchange Improvements
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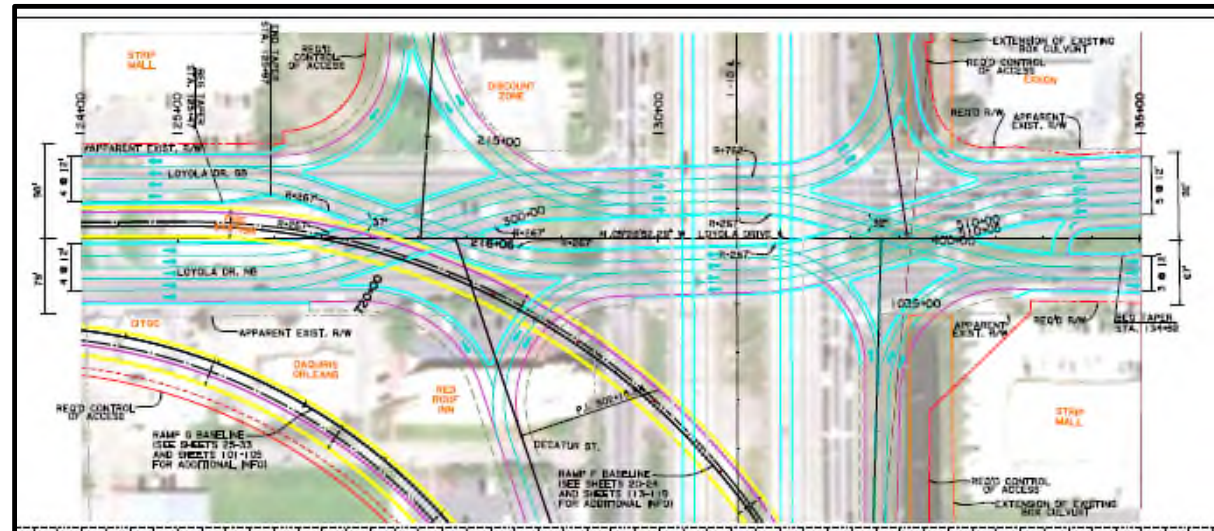
Final Tier 1 Matrix

- 18 alternatives were analyzed and screened for:
 - Traffic Operations
 - Right of Way requirements
 - Environmental/Social Impacts
 - Construction and Right of Way costs
- Three (3) alternatives were selected for further evaluation in Tier II and moved to Tier III

| INTERCHANGE FORM | Description | TRAFFIC OPERATIONS | RIGHT-OF-WAY | ENVIRONMENTAL/SOCIAL IMPACTS | COSTS | REMARKS | CONSIDERATION TIER 2 |
|--|--|--------------------|--------------|------------------------------|-----------|---|---------------------------|
|  | New Directional ramps for all eight movements | Very High Capacity | Significant | Moderate | Very High | Applicable for Freeway to Freeway Only | N |
|  | New SB to EB Clover EB to NB and SB At Grade Ramp NB to WB Clover WB to NB and SB At Grade Ramp Existing SB to WB At grade Ramp NB to EB At grade Ramp | Low Capacity | Significant | High | Low | Heavy volume conflict between SB and WBL (am and pm) and EBL (pm) and between NB and both EBL/WBL (pm) | N |
|  | New NB and SB to WB At Grade Ramp NB and SB to EB At Grade Ramp EB to NB Clover WB to SB Clover Existing EB to NB At grade Ramp WB to NB At grade Ramp | Moderate Capacity | Significant | Moderate | Low | Heavy volume conflict between SBL and NB and NBL with SBT (pm) | N |
|  | New SB to EB Clover SB to WB At Grade Ramp EB to NB Clover EB to SB At Grade Ramp NB to EB At Grade Ramp NB to WB Clover WB to NB At Grade Ramp WB to SB Clover | Moderate Capacity | Significant | High | Moderate | Weaving sections are undesirable for heavy conflict, WB to SB with SB to EB (both peaks), and NB to WB with EB to NB (pm) | N |
|  | New Single Point Urban Intersection for all eight movements Existing Diamond Ramps in all 4 quadrants | Moderate Capacity | Minimal | Low | Moderate | Volumes well suited for SPUI in the PM. Requires replacement of I-10 bridges. | N |
|  | New TSM Improvements TBD Services all eight movements Existing Diamond Ramps in all 4 quadrants | Low Capacity | Minimal | Low | Low | Inadequate storage between ramps. Heavy volume conflicts with all left turning movements | No-Build Scenario/ TSM |

Tier II (IMR and EA)

- Three (3) alternatives were analyzed and evaluated for the following:
 - Future highway network
 - Public transportation plan, pedestrian and bicycle requirements
 - ITS strategies and HOV facilities
 - Design year traffic volumes
 - Future traffic and lane requirements for the study area
 - Design criteria and critical geometry
- This evaluation included a VISSIM model for the Alternatives.



Source: T. Baker Smith and Stanley Consultants

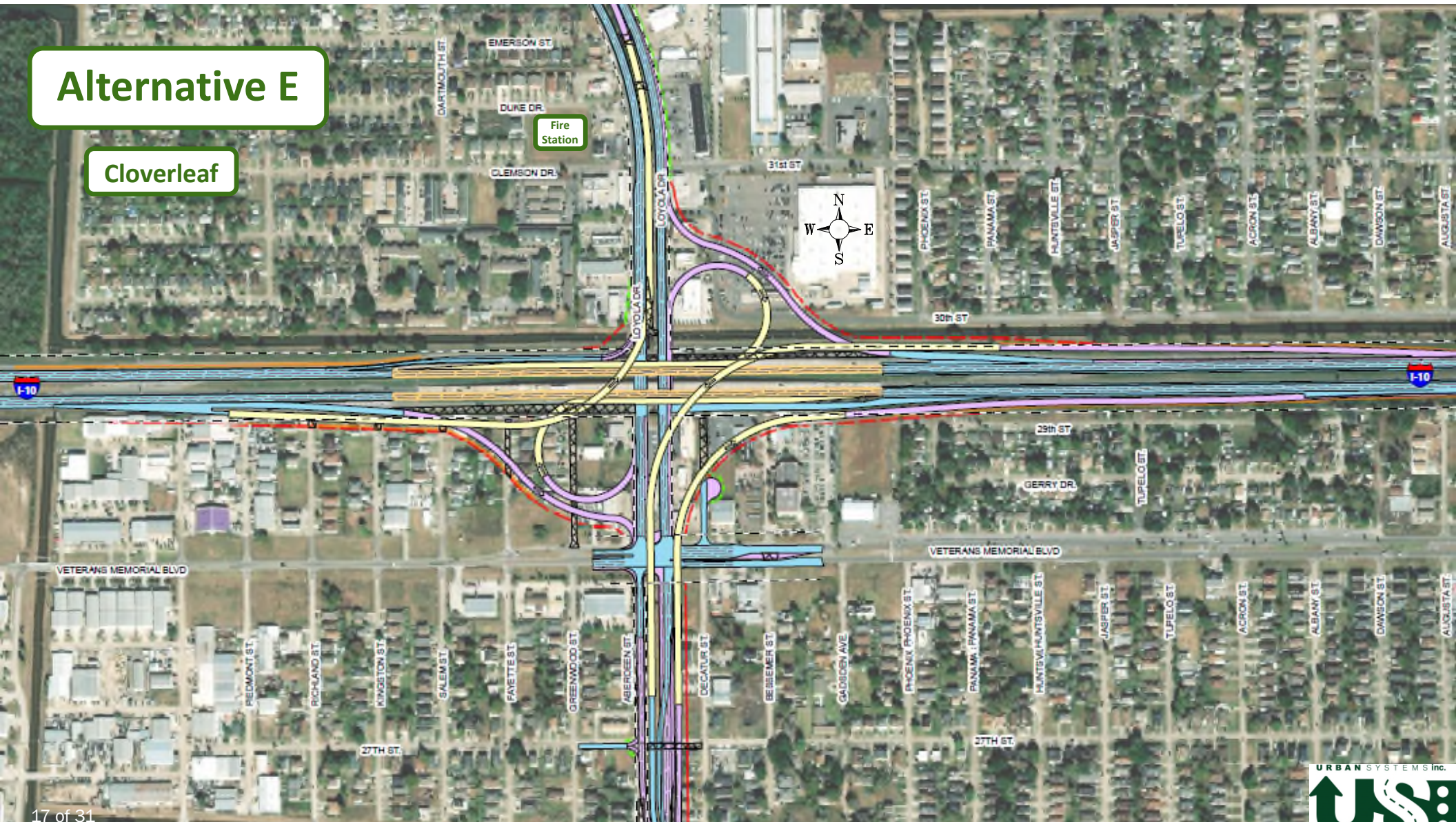
Tier III (EA)

- Detailed environmental impacts
- The three alternatives further evaluated in Tier II and III were Alternatives E, I, and L.
 - Alternative E – 2 Cloverleaf and 3 Flyover Ramps
 - Alternative I – 3 Flyover Ramps
 - Alternative L – Diverging Diamond Interchange and 2 Flyovers Ramps



Alternative E

Cloverleaf



Alternative I

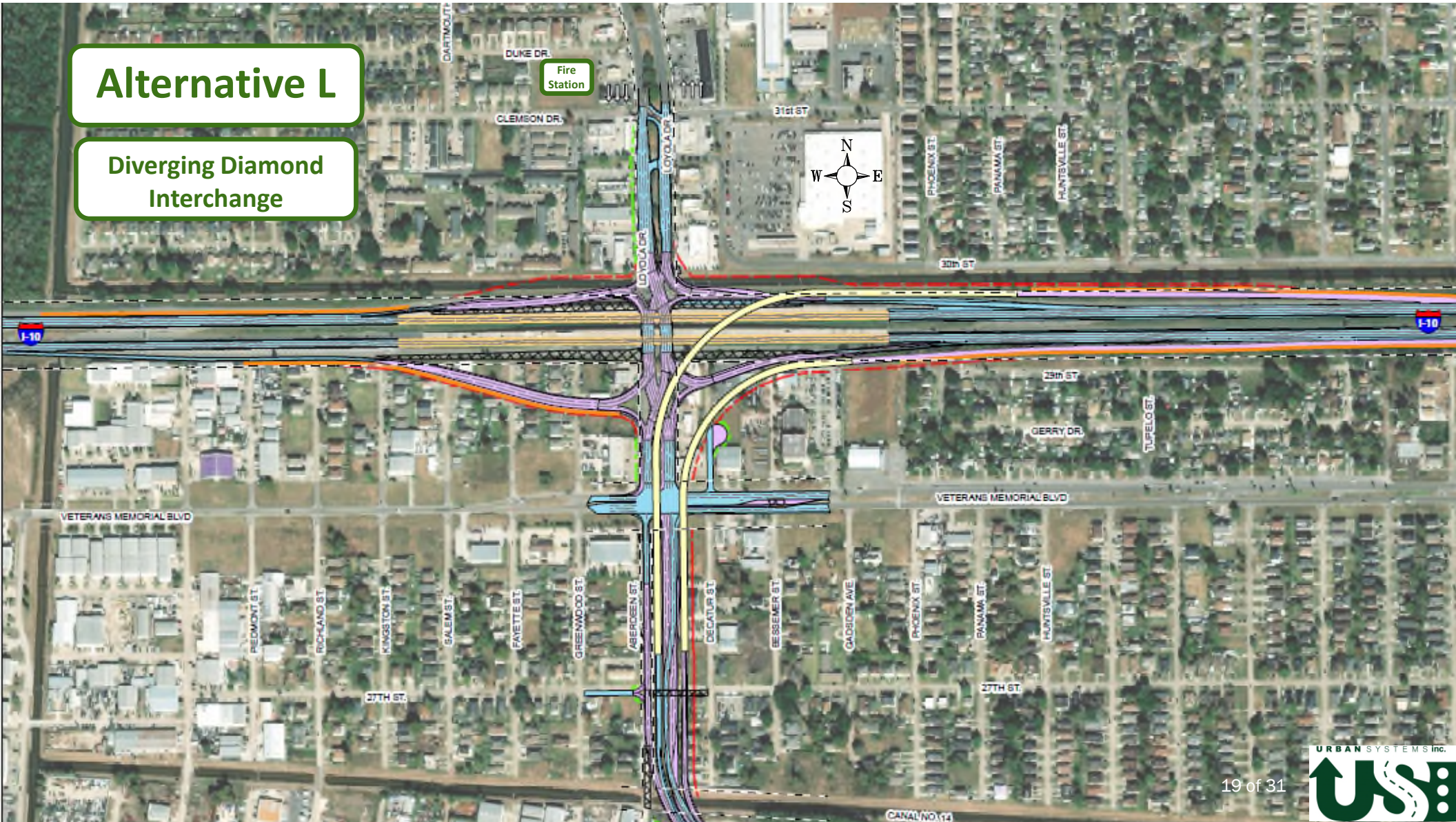
Flyovers

Fire Station

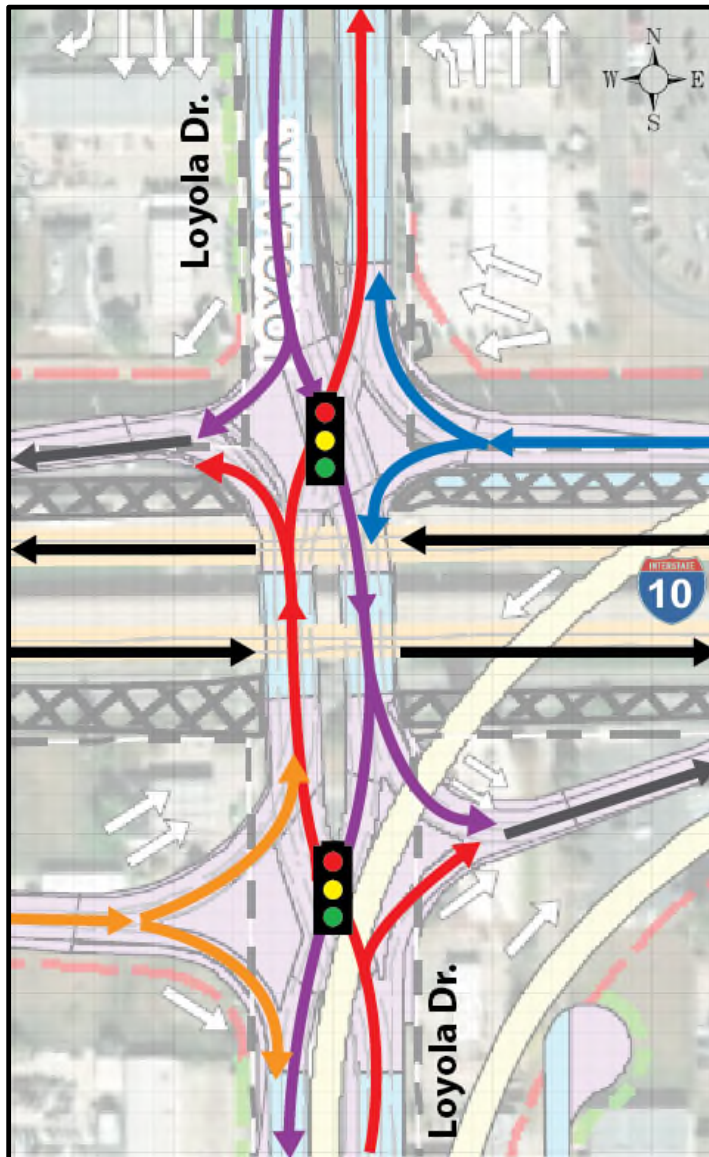


Alternative L

Diverging Diamond Interchange



Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI)



Source: US 21 at I-40 Interchange in Statesville, North Carolina

Final Tier III Comparison Matrix

| Resources/Criteria | Alternative E | Alternative I | Alternative L |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Property Impacts - Land Only (Acres) | | | |
| Non-Commercial | 15.5483 acres | 3.6347 acres | 5.4229 acres |
| Commercial | 20.2717 acres | 3.6003 acres | 6.0541 acres |
| Susan Park Impact | 0.200 acres | 0.065 acres | 0.240 acres |
| Structure Impacts (Number) | | | |
| Residential | 158 | 13 | 55 |
| Commercial | 49 | 5 | 8 |
| Noise Sensitive Receptors | | | |
| Total Number of Impacts | 375 | 426 | 418 |
| Traffic Analyses | | | |
| Operations | UA | A | UA |
| Signing | MC | LC | C |
| Safety | A | A | A |
| Design and Constructability | | | |
| Geometrics | MC | LC | C |
| Constructability | MC | C | LC |
| Feasible | No | Yes | Yes |
| Preliminary Total Cost Estimate | \$292.3 Million | \$147.0 Million | \$139.4 Million |

*Key to Letter Grading: UA: unacceptable | A: acceptable | LC: least complex | C: complex | MC: most complex

Public Outreach

- 2 Public Meetings and 1 Public Hearing.
- Multiple stakeholder meetings which included LADOTD, FHWA, Airport personnel, City of New Orleans, Jefferson Parish, MPO, City of Kenner, local emergency services.
- Per NEPA and FHWA requirements, all meeting were documented and made available to the public.
- Additional Public Meeting held by the Design-Builder in October of 2019. Hot wheels.
- Provided general comment forms.



1-101 Loyola Interchange Improvement
State Project No. H-011670
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PUBLIC MEETING
Environmental Assessment
July 24, 2018

General Comment Form

DOTD USF RA ESI VULNER CSRS

Name: _____ Date: _____
Address: _____
Email: _____ Telephone: _____

1. How often do you travel in the project area?
 Daily Weekly Monthly Once every six months Once a year Never

2. What transportation/traffic problems do you experience in the project area?
 Traffic Congestion Long Delays Unprompted Delays Many Accidents
 Confusing Routes Lack of Alternative Routes Other _____

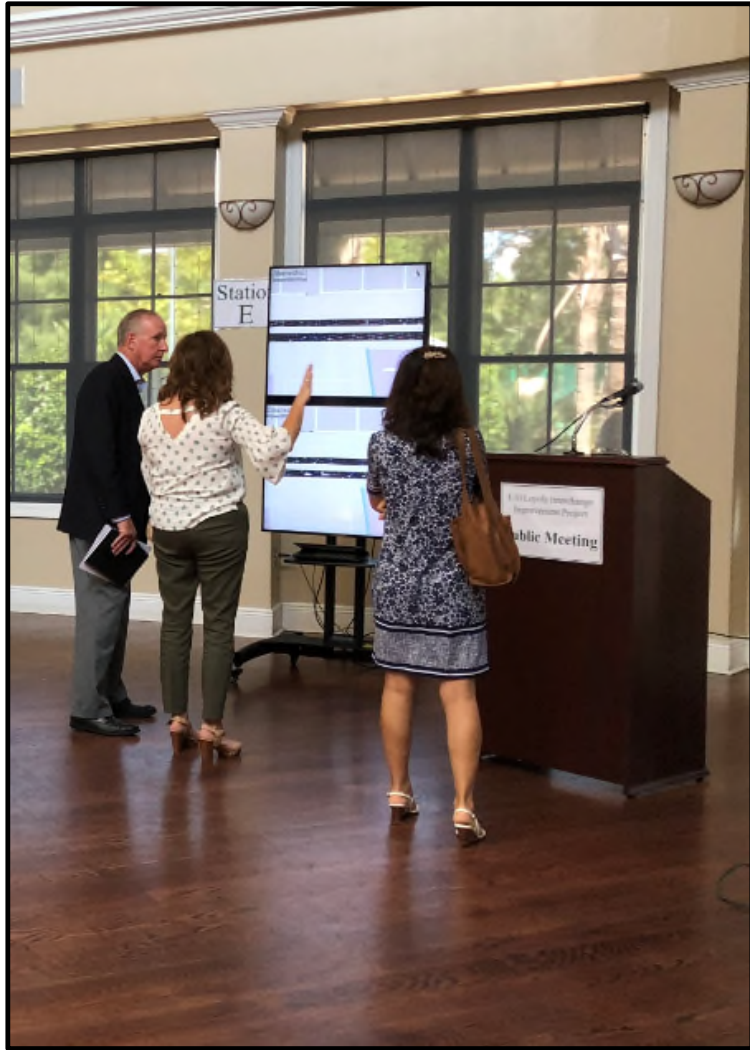
3. Which Alternative do you prefer? (Please check one)
 Alternative E Alternative I Alternative L Other _____

Briefly explain the reason for your selection and what problems you think will be improved by the selected Alternative: _____

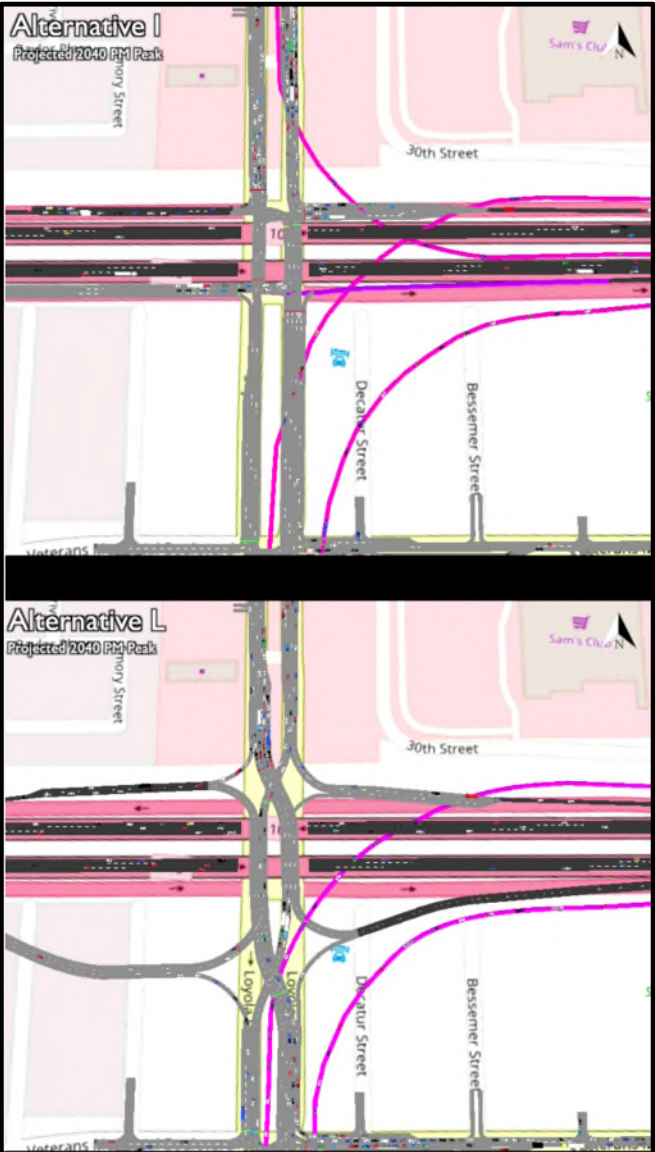
4. Would the Alternative you selected in Question 3 improve your travel experience to:
 Work School Airport Recreational/Entertainment
 Medical Care None of the above All of the above Other _____

5. Do you have any other concerns, comments, or observations relative to social, environmental or economic impacts in the project area or immediate surroundings?

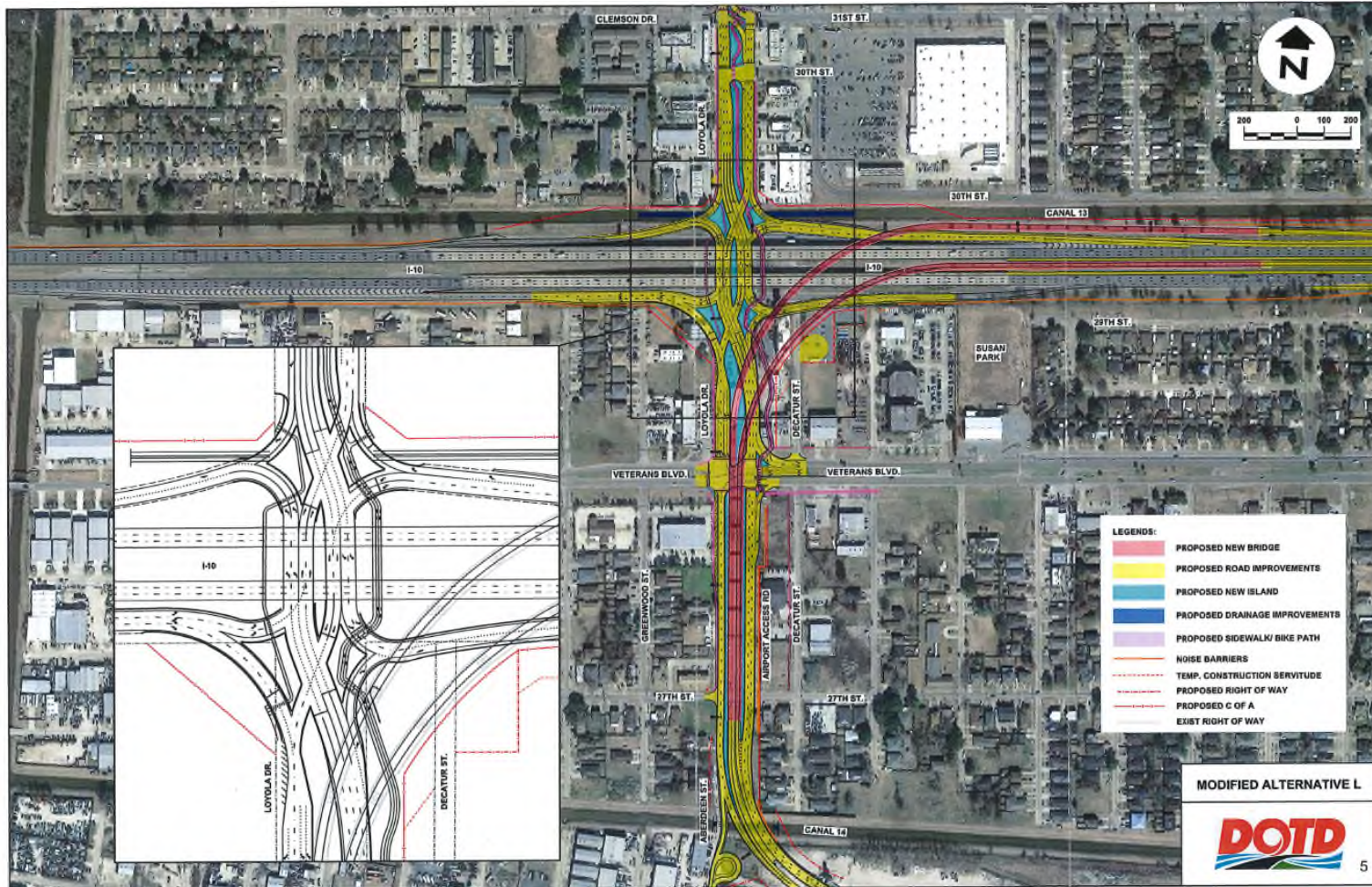
Comments mailed (see return self-addressed) must be postmarked no later than August 1, 2018 to become part of the public meeting record.



VISSIM Models



Design-Build - Modified Alternative L



Current Construction



Source: NOLA.com

Current Construction



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Current Construction



Source: LADOTD

Current Construction



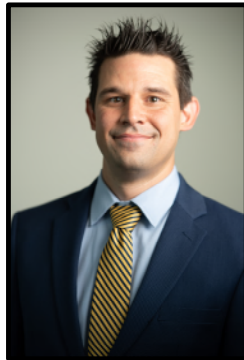
Source: LADOTD

What's Going to Happen to the Old Terminal???



Source: <https://www.redbullcontentpool.com/international/CP-V-31500>

Thank you! Questions?



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