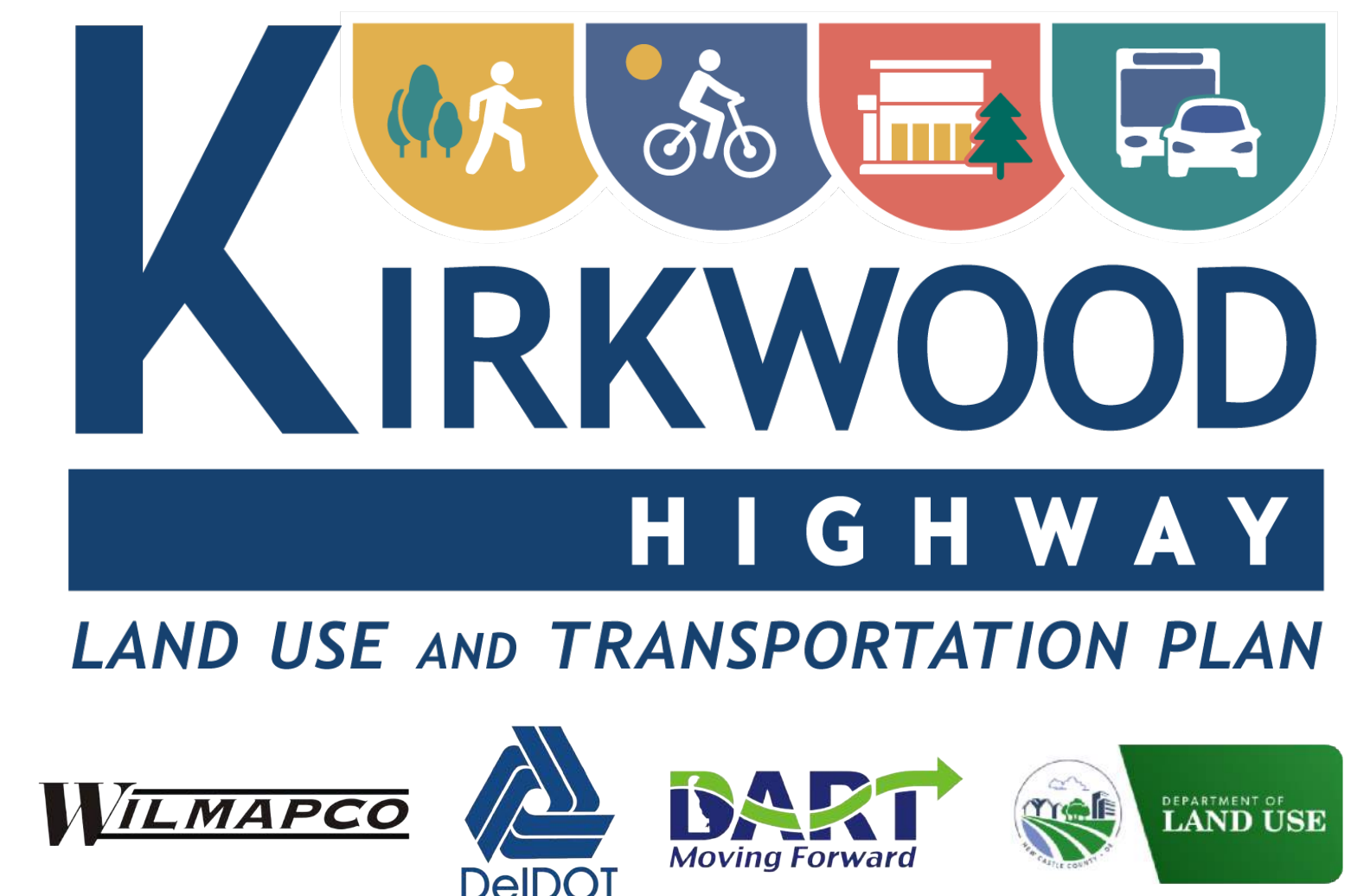


KIRKWOOD HIGHWAY STUDY BASICS

Welcome to the Scenario Planning Public Workshop for the development of the Kirkwood Highway Corridor Land Use and Transportation Plan!



The **purpose** of the Kirkwood Highway Corridor Land Use and Transportation Plan is to create a cohesive plan that will integrate land use and transportation recommendations to:



Strengthen alternative travel modes like walking, biking, and transit



Enhance existing neighborhood vitality



Position existing businesses to remain competitive



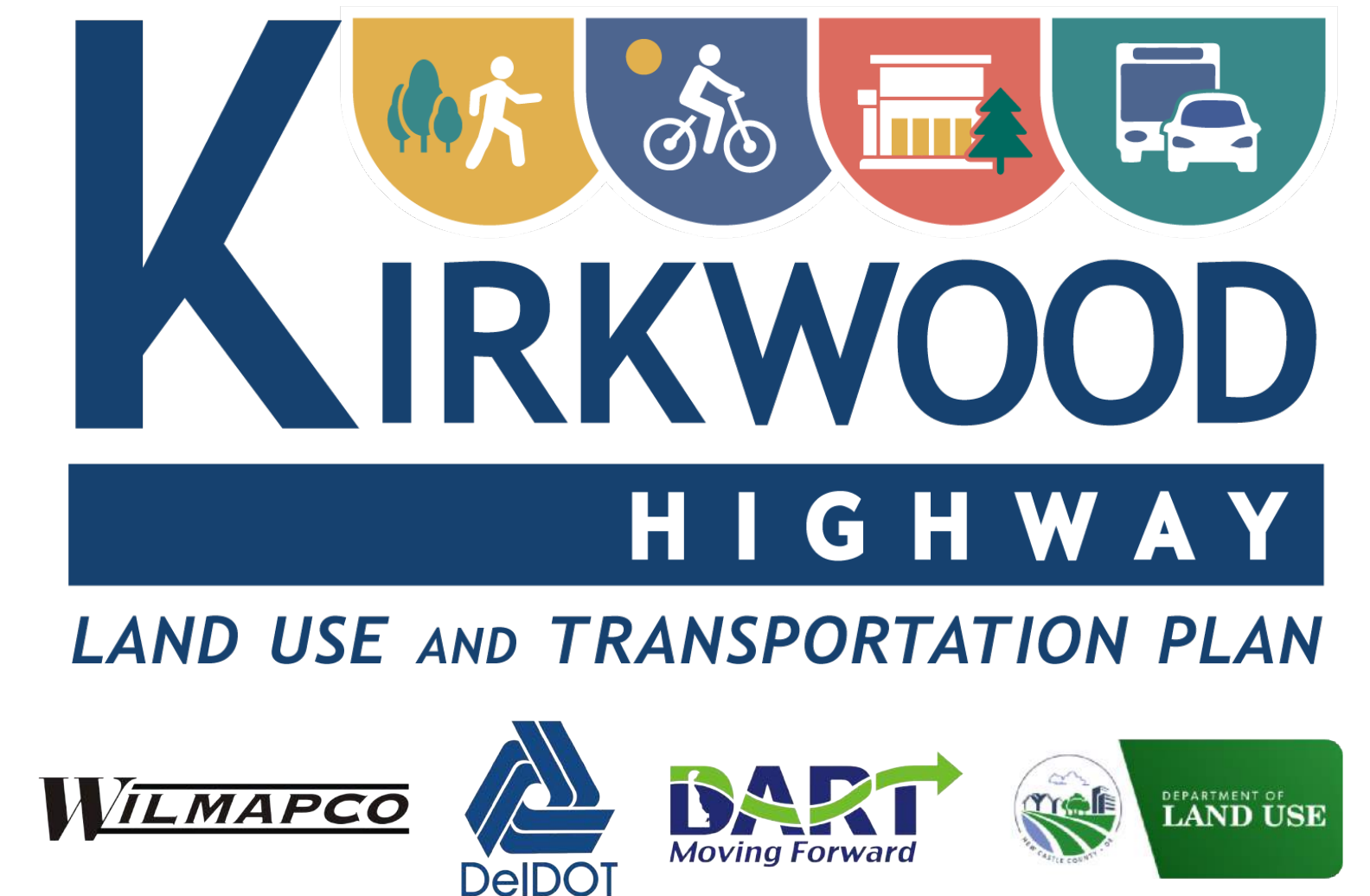
Accommodate future economic growth



Promote more sustainable patterns of development

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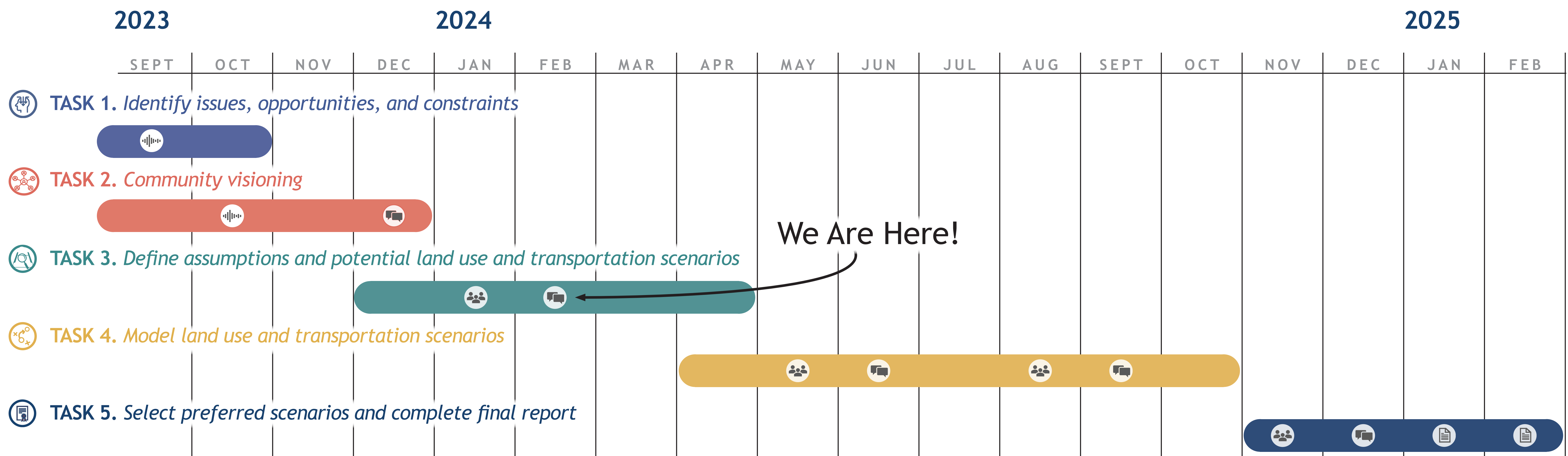
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This workshop is designed for participants to:

- Learn about scenario planning
- Provide input about potential scenarios for the future of Kirkwood Highway
- Learn about next steps

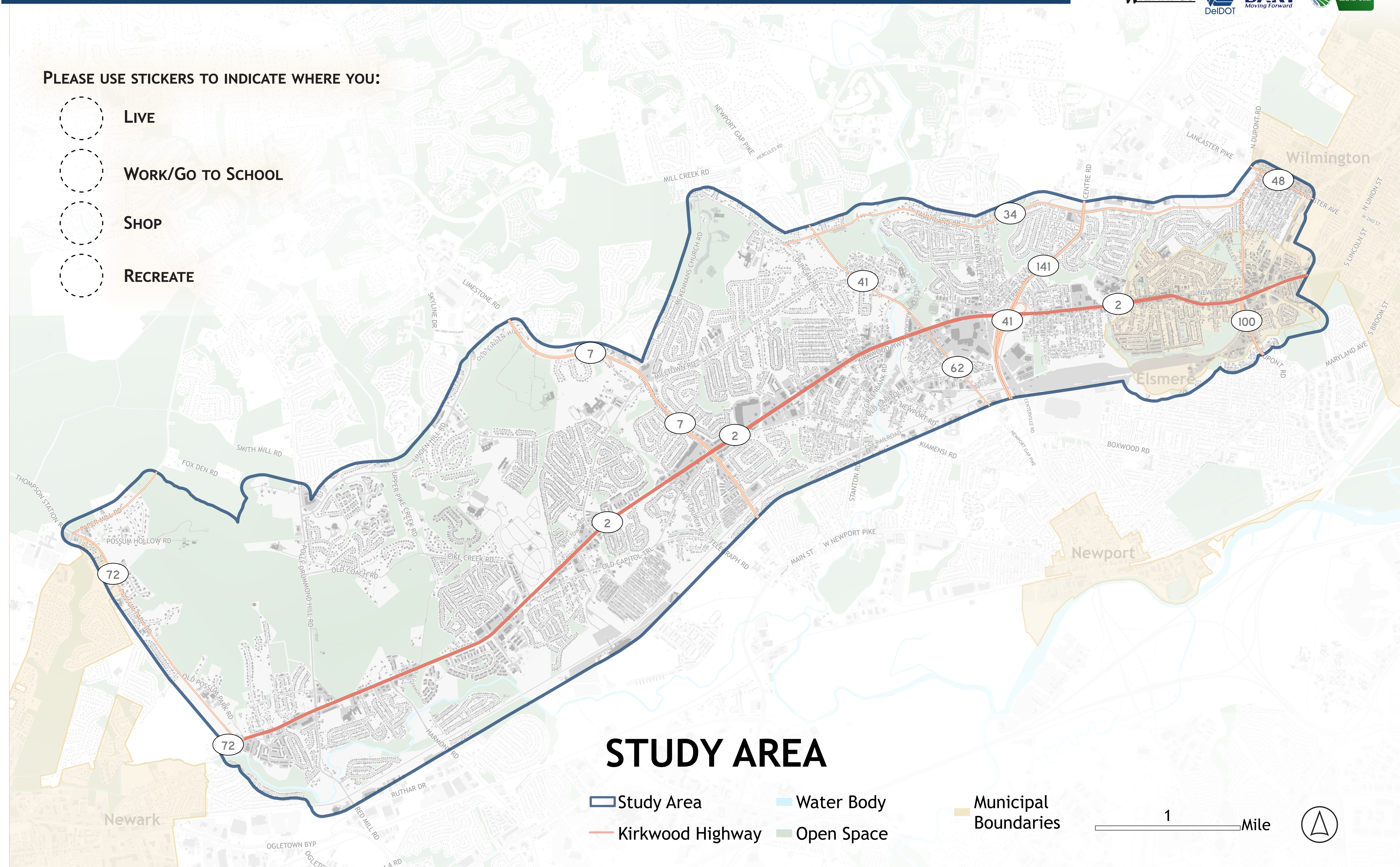
PROJECT SCHEDULE



TELL US WHERE YOU LIVE, WORK, AND PLAY!

PLEASE USE STICKERS TO INDICATE WHERE YOU:

- LIVE
- WORK/GO TO SCHOOL
- SHOP
- RECREATE



STUDY AREA

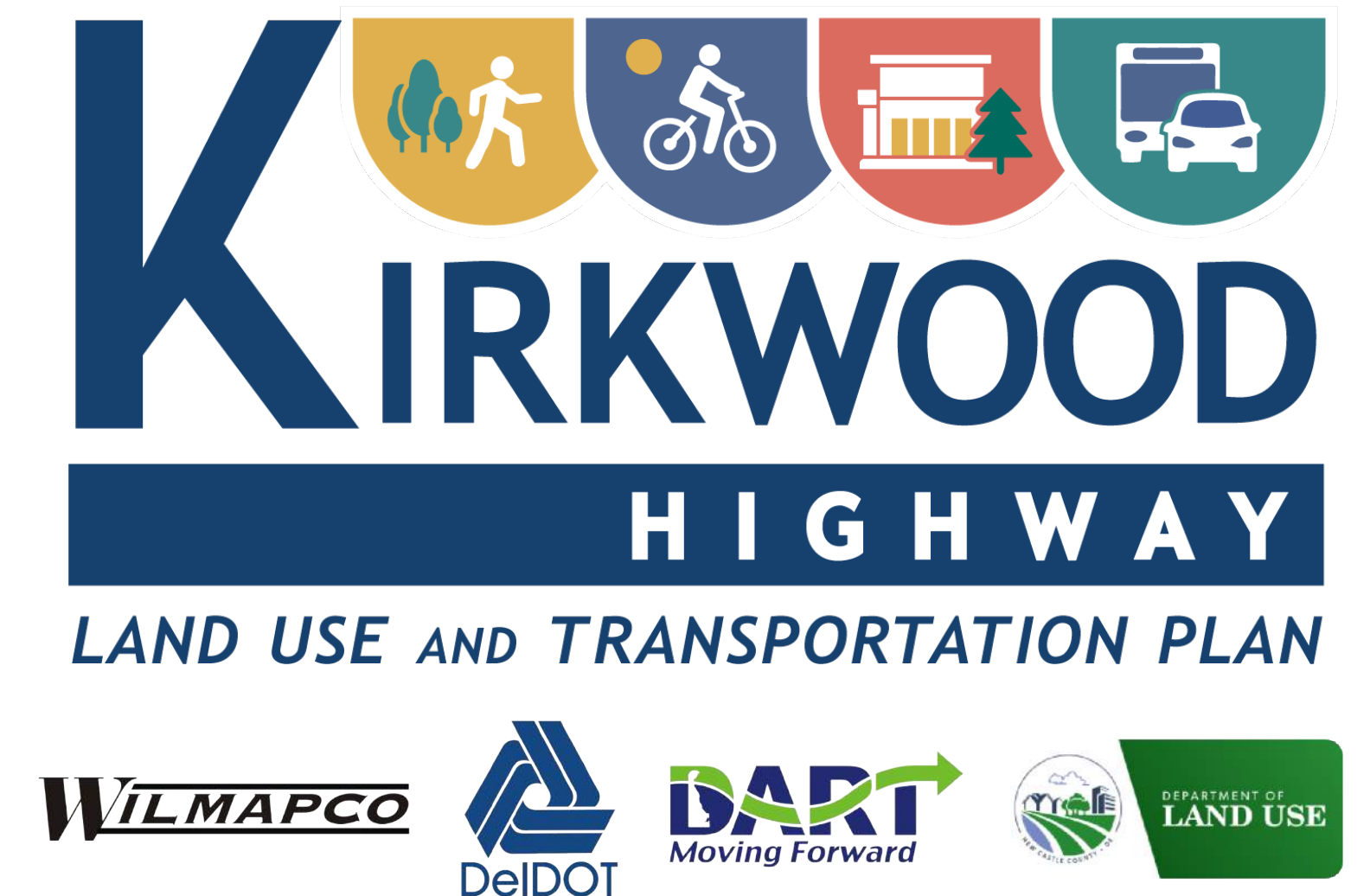
- Study Area
- Kirkwood Highway
- Water Body
- Open Space
- Municipal Boundaries

1 Mile



ADVISORY COMMITTEE

ROLES AND MEMBERS



The Advisory Committee is one part of the overall public engagement process. Feedback from both the Advisory Committee and Public Workshops will inform the Kirkwood Highway Land Use and Transportation Plan.

Role of Advisory Committee

- Advisory Committee Members are providing feedback and input to the project team.
- Advisory Committee Members are providing information, experiences, and local knowledge to assist the project team.
- The project team is using the input of the Advisory Committee Members, as well as all other public input, to make land use and transportation recommendations.
- The Advisory Committee is not a decision-making body and will not make recommendations.

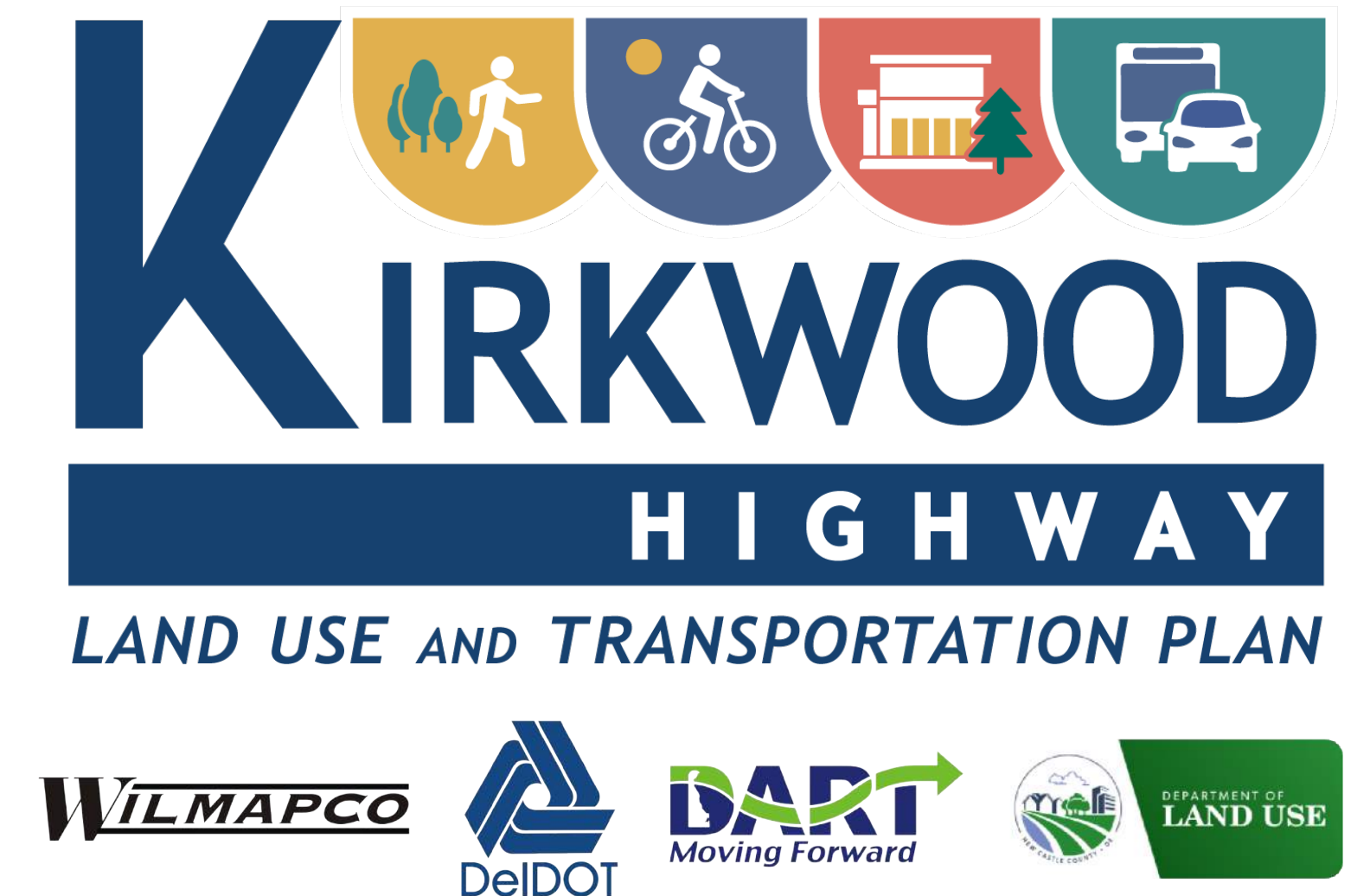
The Advisory Committee met for the first time on January 29th. The next meeting is targeted for May.



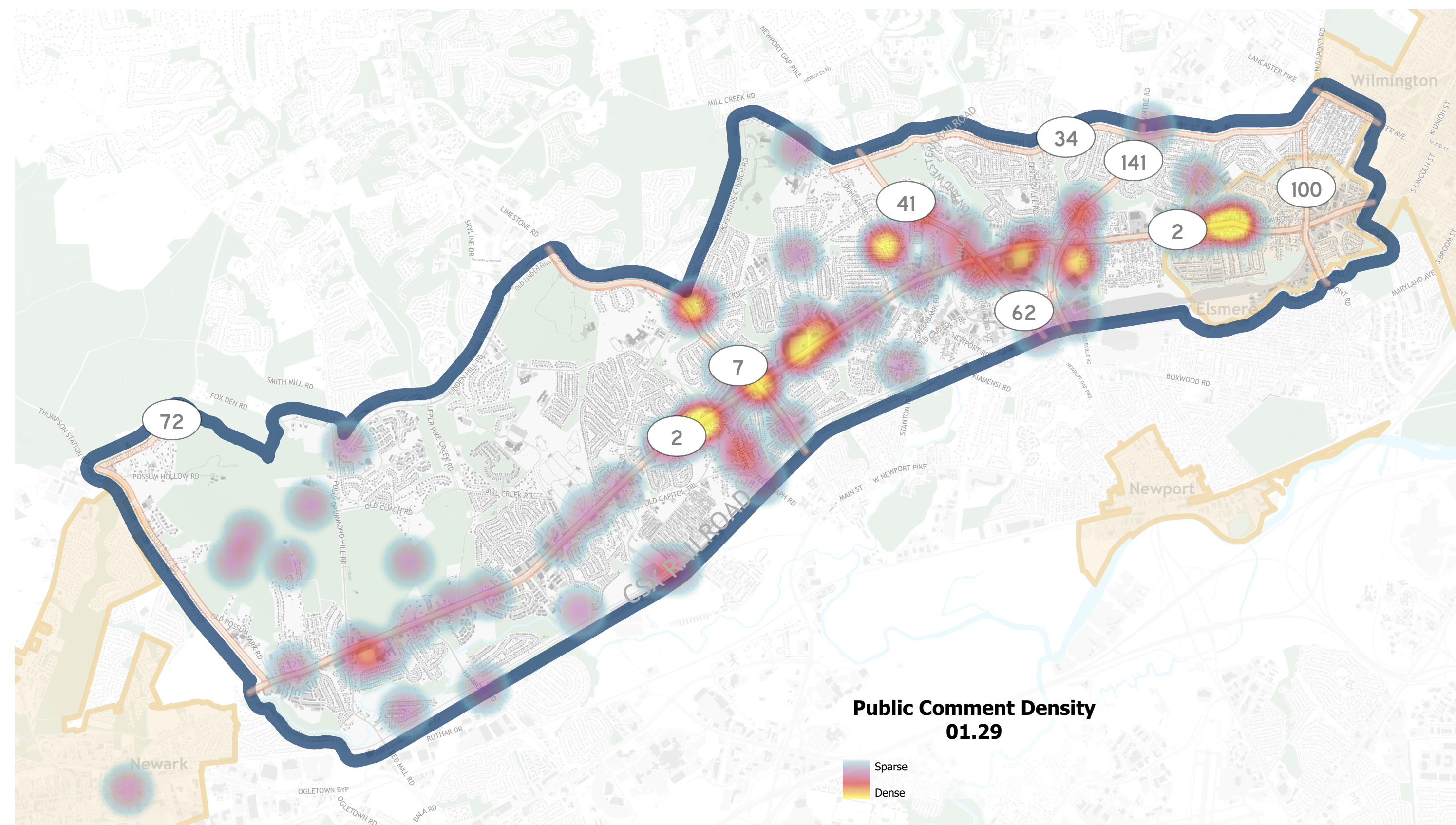
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NCC Chamber of Commerce	Alysse Bortolotto
Town of Elsmere	Steven Martin
Western YMCA	Chris Ryan
Office of State Planning Coordination	Dave Edgell
City of Newark	Mike Fortner
Delaware State University	Darren Blackston
Civic League for New Castle County	Bill Dunn
Del Park Manor	Paul Benicky
Hyde Park Civic Association	Jenn Ruebush
Mill Creek Fire Company	Nicholas J. Baronie, Fire Chief
United Way	Laura Gendreau (Stand By Me)
Delaware Black Chamber	Ayanna Khan
Committee of 100	Troy Brestel
Latin American Community Center	Jose Lopez
Freedom Center	Jody Hougentogler

VISIONING WORKSHOP

WORKSHOP FEEDBACK



- December 11, 2023
- Approximately 100 attendees
- 60+ comment forms submitted
- 80+ wiki map submissions as of January 29, 2024

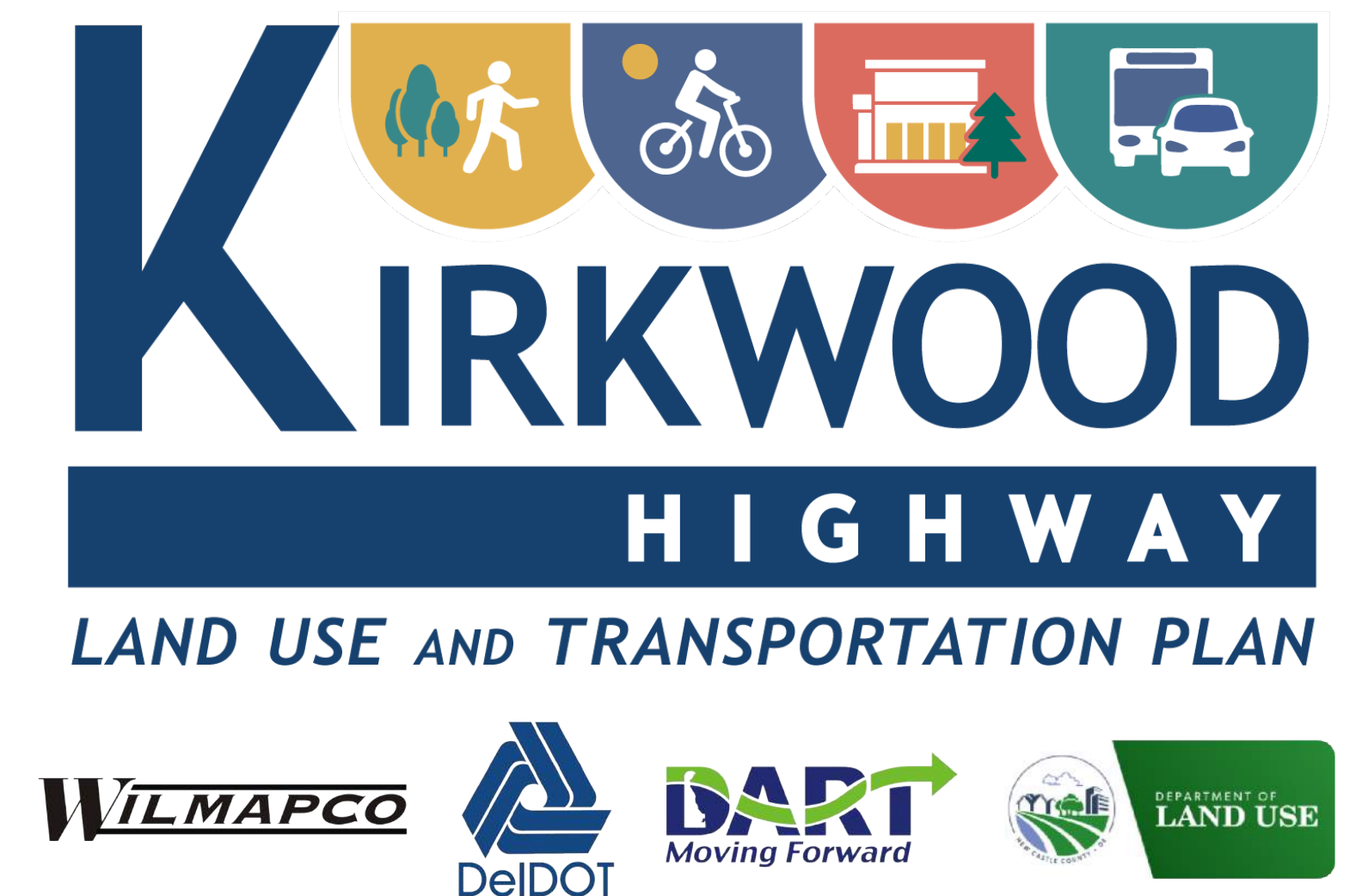


Themes

- **Traffic Safety and Congestion:** Numerous suggestions focused on improving traffic flow, road safety, and reducing congestion.
- **Pedestrian and Cyclist Infrastructure:** Strong emphasis on enhancing walkways and bike paths for safer and more accessible non-vehicular travel.
- **Traffic Calming Measures:** Frequent calls for implementing measures to reduce vehicle speeds, particularly in residential areas.
- **Green Spaces and Aesthetic Improvement:** Noticeable demand for more greenery and aesthetic enhancements in urban spaces.
- **Targeted Infrastructure Improvements:** Specific recommendations for repairing roads, improving sidewalks, and optimizing traffic light timings.

VISIONING WORKSHOP

VISION STATEMENT



Kirkwood Highway should become a **multimodal** corridor that serves a variety of **compact community** and **business centers** between Newark and Wilmington.

- Transportation facility design elements, reflective of the context of the different areas along the corridor, should **discourage high traffic speeds** and **promote safe access for all ages and abilities** to destinations by walking, bicycling, rolling, and transit while managing congestion levels.
- Economic development efforts should focus on facilitating a **transition from auto-oriented design to more bikeable and walkable places** that mix affordable **community-serving retail and services** with **housing opportunities** that serve the corridor's **diverse clientele**.
- Both public and private properties should **integrate landscaping and open space**.
- Connected networks serving all modes should link Kirkwood Highway's community and business centers to **adjacent neighborhoods** and resources such as **schools and parks**.