DRESDEN DRIVE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT STUDY UPDATE





New Data and Assumptions March 3, 2022

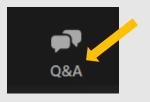


Welcome!

Today's Agenda

- Study Overview
- New Data
- Assumptions and Process
- Next Steps
- Q&A

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Study Overview

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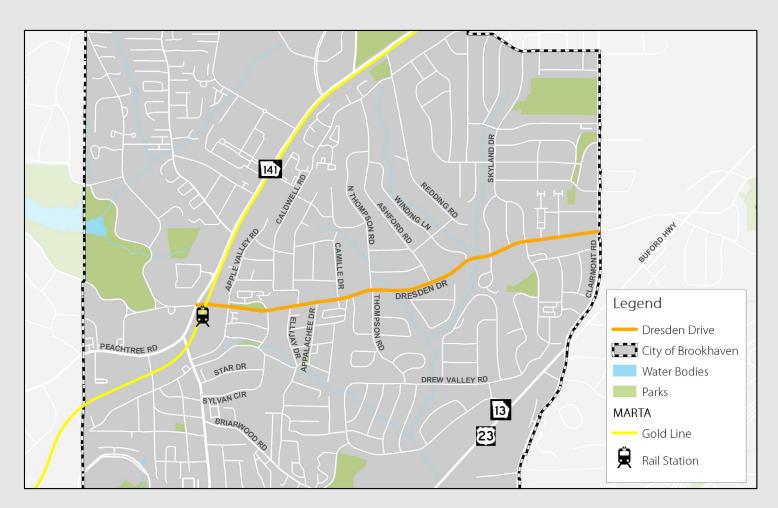
- In Spring 2021, the City of Brookhaven initiated a study to analyze operations and safety for key intersections along Dresden Drive: Apple Valley Road, Ellijay Drive, Caldwell Road, and Clairmont Road. The analysis was based on approved and planned developments in the area.
- This update to that study expands the analysis area to include additional intersections and roadway segments within Brookhaven Fields and Ashford Park neighborhoods, based community feedback received during Fall 2021.
- The update also includes an analysis of impacts to the expanded study area and roadways due to traffic generated by all potential and planned developments along the Dresden Drive corridor.

Study Update Timeline

| | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN |
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| Project Management | | | | | | |
| Traffic Study | | | | | | |
| New Counts/Process Data | | | | | | |
| Analyze Data | | | | | | |
| Traffic Study | | | Draft | Revise | Finalize | |
| Public Engagement | | | | | | |
| Mtg #1 – New Data & Assumptions | | | | | | |
| Mtg #2 – Draft Recommendations | | | | | | |
| Mayor & Council Presentation | | | | | 稟 | |
| Recommendations and Final Report | | | | | | |
| Draft Recommendations | | | Draft | | | |
| Revised Draft Recommendations & Project List | | | | Draft | Revised | |
| Draft & Final Report | | | | | Draft | Final |

Revised Approach

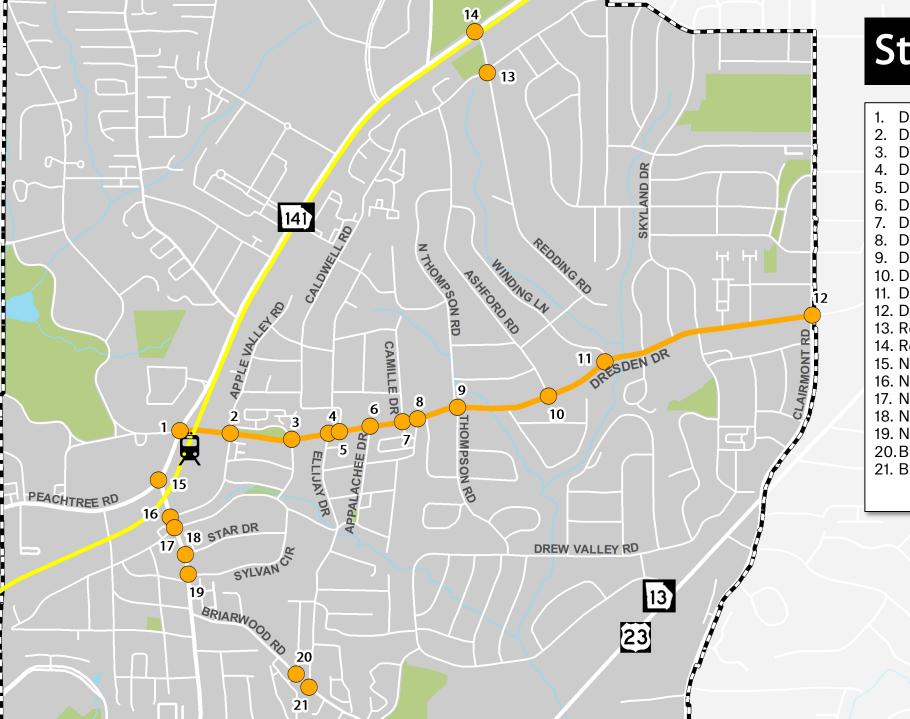
- Expand area of analysis
- Obtain new traffic counts
- Revise traffic study examining three future growth scenarios and including all potential and planned developments
- Identify increases in traffic volumes at all study locations and conduct capacity analysis at key intersections
- Develop recommendations and considerations based on revised analysis
- Hold two additional public meetings



New Data

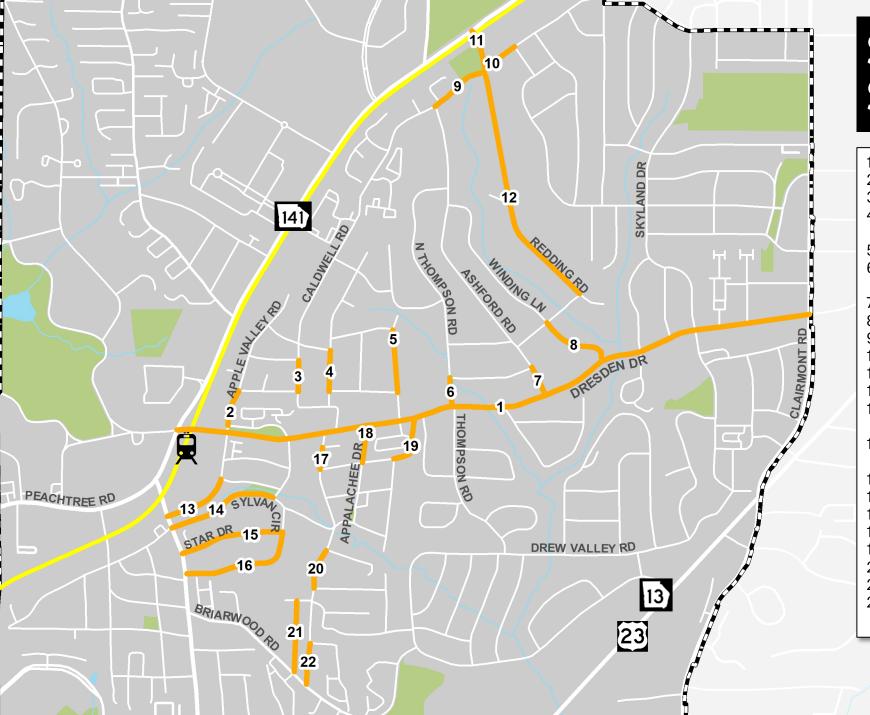
New Data

- Expanded the study to look at additional intersections and roadway segments in the neighborhoods
- Collected new traffic counts at 21 intersections and 22 roadway segments
 - New turning movement counts at all study intersections
 - New 24-hour classification and speed counts at all study roadway segments



Study Intersections

- . Dresden Dr at **Peachtree Rd**
- 2. Dresden Dr at Apple Valley Rd
- 3. Dresden Dr at Fernwood Cir
- 4. Dresden Dr at Ellijay Dr
- 5. Dresden Dr at Caldwell Rd
- 6. Dresden Dr at Appalachee Dr
- 7. Dresden Dr at Camille Dr
- 8. Dresden Dr at Conasauga Ave
- 9. Dresden Dr at North Thompson Rd
- 10. Dresden Dr at Ashford Rd
- 11. Dresden Dr at Winding Ln
- 12. Dresden Dr at Clairmont Rd
- 13. Redding Rd at Caldwell Rd
- 14. Redding Rd at Peachtree Rd
- 15. North Druid Hills Rd at Peachtree Rd
- 16. North Druid Hills Rd at Apple Valley Rd
- 17. North Druid Hills Rd at Sylvan Cir (N)
- 18. North Druid Hills Rd at **Star Dr**
- 19. North Druid Hills Rd at Sylvan Cir (S)
- 20. Briarwood Rd at Briarwood Hills Dr
- 21. Briarwood Rd at Coosawattee Dr



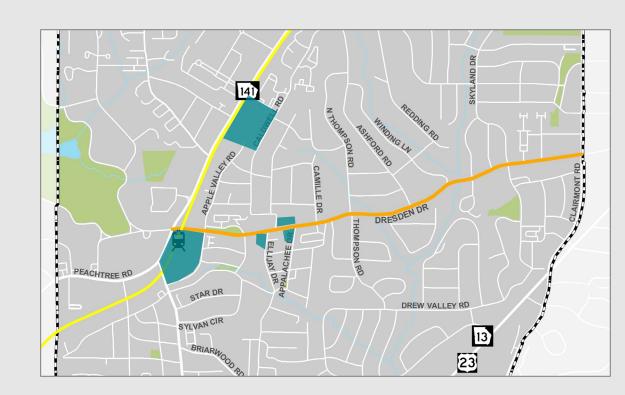
Study Roadway Segments

- 1. Dresden Dr btw Peachtree Rd & Clairmont Rd
- 2. Apple Valley Rd btw Parkside Dr & Sunland Dr
- 3. Caldwell Rd btw Sunland Dr & Oaklawn Ave
- 4. Green Meadows Ln btw Wilford Dr & East Osborne Rd
- 5. Camille Dr btw Wilford Dr & E Osborne Rd
- 6. North Thompson Rd btw Dresden Dr & Trentwood PI
- 7. Ashford Rd btw Dresden Dr & Trentwood Pl
- 8. Winding Ln btw Dresden Dr & Redding Way
- 9. Caldwell Rd btw Ashford Rd & Redding Rd
- 10. Caldwell Rd btw Cynthia Dr & Redding Rd
- 11. Redding Rd btw Caldwell Rd & Peachtree Rd
- 12. Redding Rd btw Caldwell Rd & Redding Way
- 13. Apple Valley Rd btw North Druid Hills Rd & Fernwood Cir
- 14. Sylvan Cir (N) btw North Druid Hills Rd & Fernwood Cir
- 15. Star Dr btw North Druid Hills Rd & Sylvan Cir
- 16. Sylvan Cir (S) btw North Druid Hills Rd & Star Dr
- 17. Ellijay Dr btw Towne Estates Dr & Canoochee Dr
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- 18. Appalachee Dr btw Dresden Dr & Canoochee Dr
- 19. Conasauga Ave btw Dresden Dr & Oostanaula Dr
- 20. Coosawattee Dr btw Tugaloo Dr & Noel Dr
- 21. Briarwood Hills Dr btw Briarwood Rd & Telford Dr
- 22. Coosawattee Dr btw Briarwood Rd & Wayside Dr

Assumptions & Process

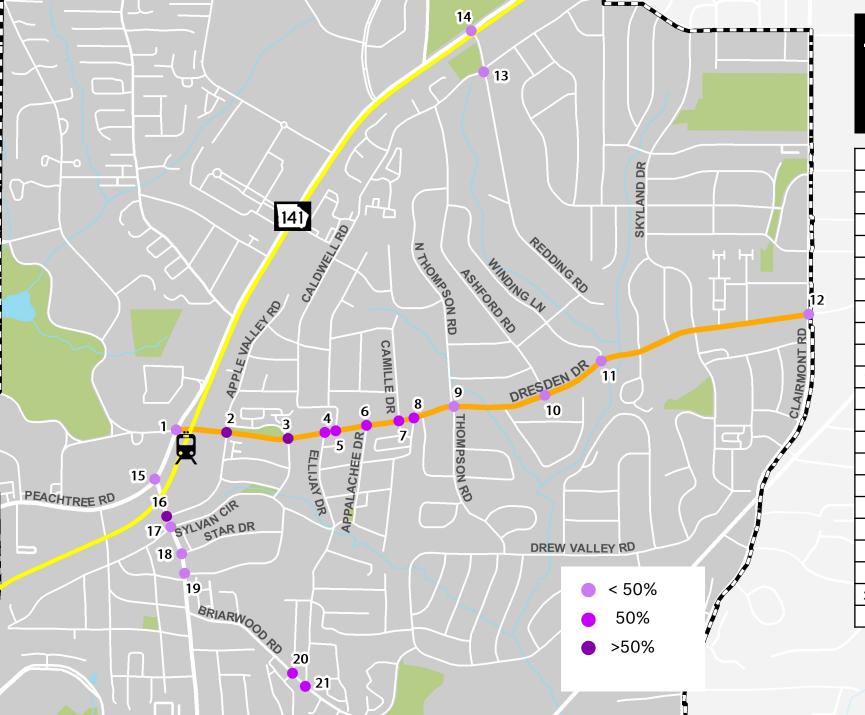
Revised Development Assumptions

- Include all potential and planned future development along Dresden Drive corridor
 - MARTA property
 - PR-3 zoned properties at north end of Apple Valley Road
 - Four PR-2 zoned properties along Dresden Drive (a.k.a. Terwilliger-Pappas)
 - Dresden Village
 - University Baptist Church
- Traffic generated by the above listed developments will be added to all growth scenario traffic projections



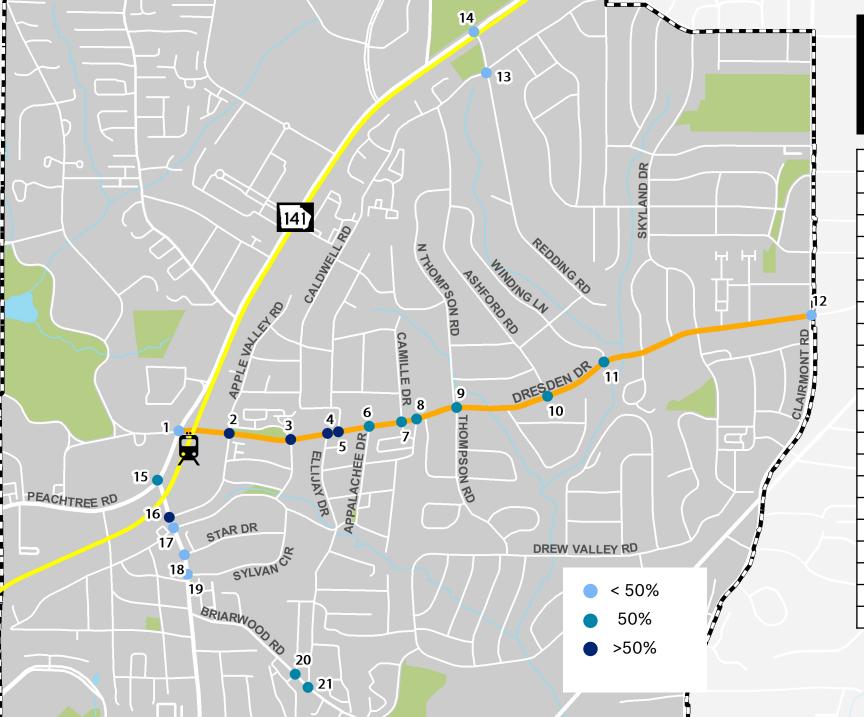
Analysis Methodology

- Future traffic volumes developed based on recent historical growth, population projections, future traffic projections from regional travel demand model, plus traffic generated by future development
- Nine combinations three growth scenarios each at three future years
 - Three Growth Scenarios: low, medium, high
 - Three future analysis years: 2027, 2037, and 2047
- Identify increases in traffic volumes at all intersections
- Identify increases in traffic volumes on all study roadway segments
- Level of service and delay at key intersections (Peachtree Rd, Apple Valley Rd, Ellijay Dr, Caldwell Rd, Clairmont Rd)



Traffic Increase - AM Medium Growth 2047

| ID | Intersection Name | % Increase Vol. |
|----|--|-----------------|
| 1 | Dresden Dr @ Peachtree Rd | 35% |
| 2 | Dresden Dr @ Apple Valley Rd | 60% |
| 3 | Dresden Dr @ Fernwood Cir | 55% |
| 4 | Dresden Dr @ Ellijay Dr | 50% |
| 5 | Dresden Dr @ Caldwell Rd | 50% |
| 6 | Dresden Dr @ Appalachee Dr | 50% |
| 7 | Dresden Dr @ Camille Dr | 50% |
| 8 | Dresden Dr @ Conasauga Ave | 50% |
| 9 | Dresden Dr @ North Thompson Rd | 45% |
| 10 | Dresden Dr @ Ashford Rd | 45% |
| 11 | Dresden Dr @ Winding Ln | 45% |
| 12 | Dresden Dr @ Clairmont Rd | 30% |
| 13 | Redding Rd @ Caldwell Rd | 30% |
| 14 | Redding Rd @ Peachtree Rd | 35% |
| 15 | North Druid Hills Rd @ Peachtree Rd | 45% |
| 16 | North Druid Hills Rd @ Apple Valley Rd | 55% |
| 17 | North Druid Hills Rd @ Sylvan Cir (N) | 45% |
| 18 | North Druid Hills Rd @ Star Dr | 45% |
| 19 | North Druid Hills Rd @ Sylvan Cir (S) | 45% |
| 20 | Briarwood Rd @ Briarwood Hills Dr | 50% |
| 21 | Briarwood Rd @ Coosawattee Dr | 50% |



Traffic Increase - PM Medium Growth 2047

| ID | Intersection Name | % Increase Vol. |
|----|--|-----------------|
| 1 | Dresden Dr @ Peachtree Rd | 45% |
| 2 | Dresden Dr @ Apple Valley Rd | 85% |
| 3 | Dresden Dr @ Fernwood Cir | 75% |
| 4 | Dresden Dr @ Ellijay Dr | 60% |
| 5 | Dresden Dr @ Caldwell Rd | 60% |
| 6 | Dresden Dr @ Appalachee Dr | 50% |
| 7 | Dresden Dr @ Camille Dr | 50% |
| 8 | Dresden Dr @ Conasauga Ave | 50% |
| 9 | Dresden Dr @ North Thompson Rd | 50% |
| 10 | Dresden Dr @ Ashford Rd | 50% |
| 11 | Dresden Dr @ Winding Ln | 50% |
| 12 | Dresden Dr @ Clairmont Rd | 30% |
| 13 | Redding Rd @ Caldwell Rd | 35% |
| 14 | Redding Rd @ Peachtree Rd | 35% |
| 15 | North Druid Hills Rd @ Peachtree Rd | 50% |
| 16 | North Druid Hills Rd @ Apple Valley Rd | 55% |
| 17 | North Druid Hills Rd @ Sylvan Cir (N) | 45% |
| 18 | North Druid Hills Rd @ Star Dr | 45% |
| 19 | North Druid Hills Rd @ Sylvan Cir (S) | 45% |
| 20 | Briarwood Rd @ Briarwood Hills Dr | 50% |
| 21 | Briarwood Rd @ Coosawattee Dr | 50% |
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11 10 9 12 141 REDDINGRO KINDINGLA DRESDEN DR 6 THOMPSON RD APPALACHEE DR 81 P 19 17 PEACHTREE RD DREW VALLEY RD 20 < 50% BRIARWOOD 21 50%-100% 101%-200% 22 >200%

Traffic Increase - Daily Medium Growth 2047

| ID | Intersection Name | % Increase Vol. |
|----|---|--------------------|
| 1 | Dresden Dr, east of Ashford Rd NE | 55% |
| 2 | Apple Valley Rd NE, south of Sunland Dr NE | 235% |
| 3 | Caldwell Rd NE, south of Oaklawn Ave NE | 35% |
| 4 | Green Meadows Ln NE, south of E Osborne Rd NE | 70% |
| 5 | Camille Dr NE, north of Wilford Dr NE | 105% |
| 6 | N Thompson Rd NE, north of Trentwood PI NE | 45% |
| 7 | Ashford Rd NE, south of Trentwood PI NE | 60% |
| 8 | Winding Ln NE, west of Dresden Dr | 55% |
| 9 | Caldwell Rd NE, west of Redding Rd NE | 55% |
| 10 | Caldwell Rd NE, west of Cynthia Dr NE | 25% |
| 11 | Redding Rd NE, north of Caldwell Rd NE | 40% |
| 12 | Redding Rd NE, north of Redding Way NE | 35% |
| 13 | Apple Valley Rd, south of Fernwood Cir NE | 105% |
| 14 | Sylvan Cir NE, east of Fernwood Cir NE | 135% |
| 15 | Star Dr, east of N Druid Hills Rd | 80% |
| 16 | Sylvan Cir NE, east of Brissett Ln | 90% |
| 17 | Ellijay Dr NE, north of Canoochee Dr NE | 40% |
| 18 | Appalachee Dr NE, south of Dresden Dr | 60% |
| 19 | Conasauga Ave NE, south of Dresden Dr | 65% |
| 20 | Coosawattee Dr NE, north of Noel Dr NE | 40% |
| 21 | Briarwood Hills Dr NE, north of Briarwood Rd NE | 135% |
| 22 | Coosawattee Dr NE, north of Briarwood Rd NE | 55% |

Future Year (2047) & Medium Growth – Without Improvements

| | | Future (2047) – Medium Growth | | |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| | | AM LOS | PM LOS | |
| | Intersection | Delay (S) | Delay (S) | |
| 1 | Peachtree Rd | F <i>(>100)</i> | F <i>(>100)</i> | |
| 2 | Apple Valley Rd | D <i>(39.0)</i> | F <i>(>100)</i> | |
| 3 | Ellijay Dr | A <i>(6.6)</i> | B <i>(14.2)</i> | |
| 4 | Caldwell Rd | B <i>(11.3)</i> | A <i>(11.0)</i> | |
| 5 | Clairmont Rd | D <i>(42.9)</i> | D <i>(52.0)</i> | |

Level of Service (LOS) is a measure of the amount of delay that a traveler experiences at an intersection.



Next Steps

Types of Recommendations

- Recommended improvements based on most likely growth scenario
 - Intersection improvements at key intersections by mode of travel (i.e., driving, walking, and biking)
 - Intersection turn restrictions
 - Roadway access restrictions (e.g., cul-de-sacs)
 - One-way or two-way conversions
- Considerations associated with the other two, less likely growth scenarios
- Considerations for providing bicycle facilities along Dresden Drive, including trade-offs related to narrowing lanes and removal of on-street parking
- Considerations for traffic impact analyses for future potential development proposals

Note: Given that the City of Brookhaven has committed to updating the current Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trail Plan in the near future, the scope for this study does not include a corridor-wide assessment of bicycle facilities or bicycle needs along Dresden Drive. Therefore, this study will develop considerations for bicycle facilities and not recommendations for implementation.

Deliverables

- Updated Traffic Study Technical Memo
 - Details on the data, methodology, and recommendations
 - Increase in traffic volumes at all study intersections and roadways
 - Capacity analysis for key intersections (Peachtree Rd, Apple Valley Rd, Ellijay Dr, Caldwell Rd, Clairmont Rd)
- Final Study Report
 - Summary of the process, existing conditions, and traffic analysis
 - Key findings from analysis
 - Improvements at study intersections and roadway segments
 - Conceptual engineering drawings at key locations with cost estimates
 - 1. Dresden Dr at Apple Valley Rd
 - 2. Dresden Dr at Ellijay Dr
 - 3. Dresden Dr at Caldwell Rd
 - 4. Dresden Dr at Clairmont Rd

Next Steps

- Draft traffic study memo, recommendations on 03/31/22
 - Publish to project website
- Public meeting on 04/14/22
 - Present draft recommendations
- Revised draft traffic study memo, recommendations week of 05/16/22
 - Publish to project website
- Mayor and Council Presentation 05/24/22
 - Present draft report and recommendations
- Final Traffic Study Memo, Study Report week of 06/13/22
 - Publish to project website

Questions?

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Submit your comments by Monday March 14, 2022

