

Spearfish Rest Area/Welcome Center Corridor Study

Public Input Meeting #1 | September 28, 2022

About the Project

The South Dakota Department of Transportation (SDDOT) and the South Dakota Department of Tourism have been working together to revitalize South Dakota's existing Interstate rest areas and welcome centers for the traveling public. Recently, the rest areas at Valley Springs, Homestead (Vermillion), and Wilmot have been reconstructed or remodeled to add a welcome center and update the rest area facilities.

The Spearfish (Northern Hills) rest area is the next rest area facility within the state to be reconstructed. This provides an opportunity to review the existing location, as well as the nearby corridor, for a location that best serves the needs of South Dakota visitors and residents.

Study Area

The study area encompasses Interstate 90 (I-90) from the Wyoming/South Dakota border to Exit 17 on the east side of Spearfish and US85 from Johnson Lane to Centennial Road. It includes the existing rest area located at Mileage Reference Marker 1, along with the following interchanges:

- Exit 2 at Red Hill Rd
- Exit 8 at McGuigan Rd
- Exit 10 at North US85
- Exit 12 at Jackson Blvd
- Exit 14 at N 27th St
- Exit 17 at South US85

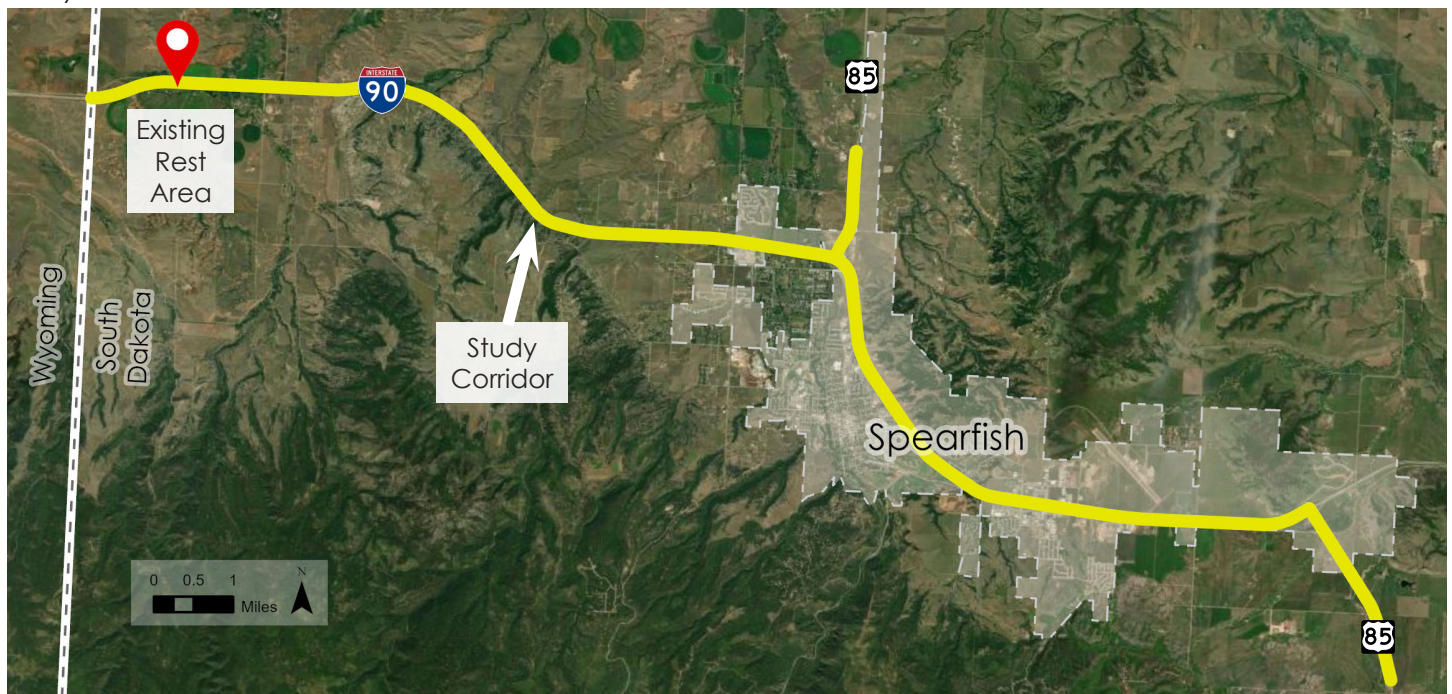
Study Purpose

The purpose of this study is to consider if the rest area should remain at its current location or be relocated. A recommended location will be provided based on community engagement, partnership possibilities, physical and operational constraints, and environmental considerations.

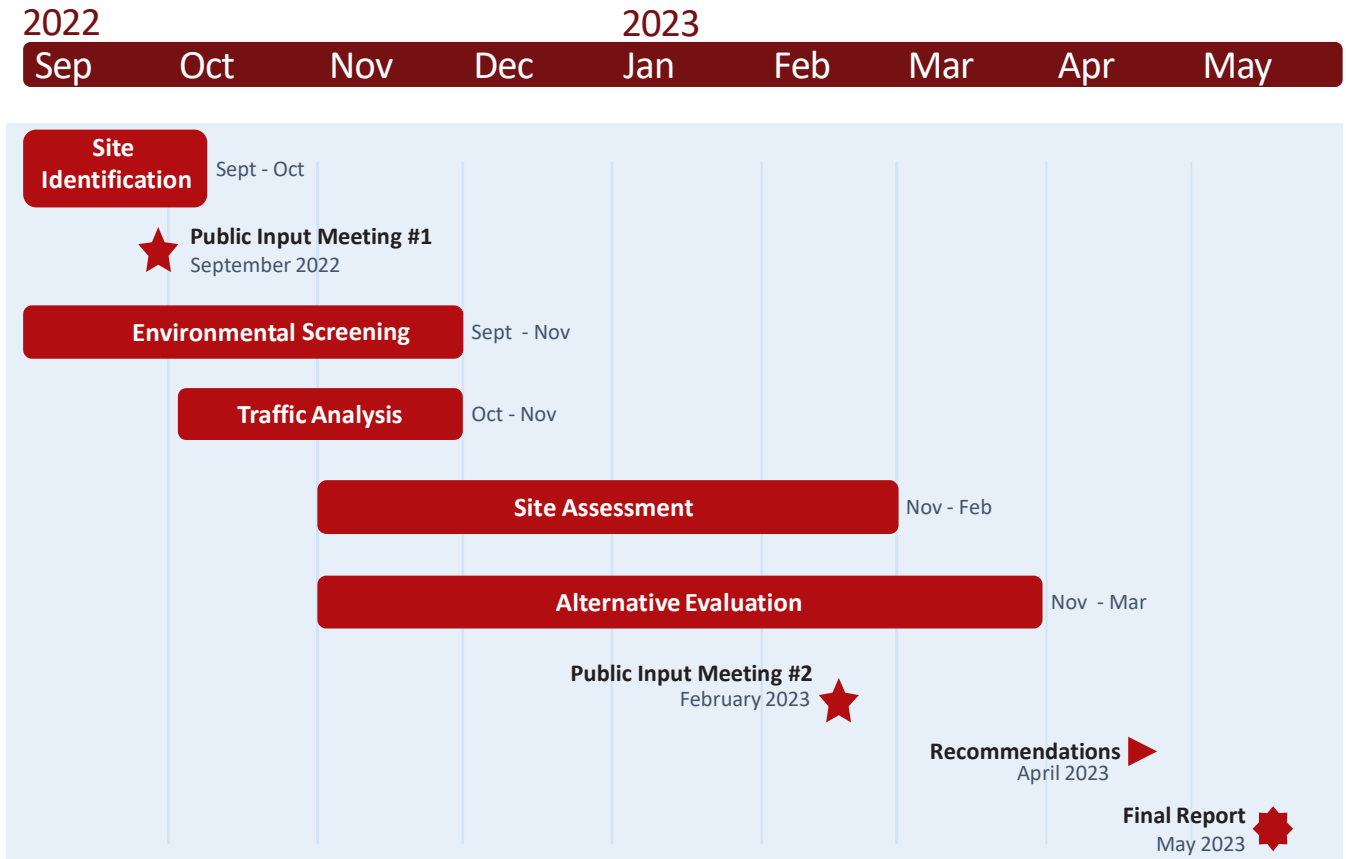
Need for New Facility

- ADA upgrades are required
- Existing facility is outdated
- Desire to add a welcome center to further support the State's tourism industry
- Reconstruction is the most cost effective option

Study Area



Project Schedule



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www.SpearfishRestAreaStudy.com

Take the Online Survey

Scan the QR code on the right to take a short 10 question online survey to provide feedback on the project.



Attend a Future Public Meeting

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for February 2023.

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