# MILLHOUSE ENTERPRISE ZONE APPLICATION: CONDITIONAL ZONING DISTRICT



TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL Office of Planning and Development Services 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd phone (919) 968-2728 fax (919) 969-2014 www.townofchapelhill.org

Parcel Identifier Number(s) (PIN): 9870 89 2007

Date: 27 Apr 2018

### Section A: Project Information

Project Name:	Project Triumph		r.		
Property Address:	7300 Millhouse Road	Zip Code:	27517		
Use Groups (A, B, and/or C):	B and C	Existing Zoning District:	MU-R-1		
Project Description:	Rezoning to LI-CZD conditional use zone. Development of building(s), stormwater mitigation, and				
Toject Description.	landscaping on non-buffer portions of the parcel.				

### Section B: Applicant, Owner and/or Contract Purchaser Information

## Applicant Information (to whom correspondence will be mailed)

Name:	Coulter Jewell Thames PA, Attn: Wendi Ramsden						
Address:	111 West Main Street						
City:	Durham	State:	NC	Zip Code:	27701		
Phone:	919-682-0368	Email:	wramsden@cjtpa.com	-			

The undersigned applicant hereby certifies that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, all information supplied with this application is true and accurate.

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#### **Owner/Contract Purchaser Information:**

Owner	
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X	Contract	Durchasor
^	Contract	Purchaser

Name:	c/o Project Triumph, Attn Timothy Vickers					
Address:	4134 S Alston Avenue					
City:	Durham	State:	NC	Zip Code:	27701	
Phone:	800-949-3715	Email:	tv@slapshotholdings.co	m		

The undersigned applicant hereby certifies that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, all information supplied with this application is true and accurate. The undersigned further authorizes Town staff to enter the property(ies) for the purposes of conducting a site visit(s) to evaluate existing site conditions.

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Date:

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# **Owner/Contract Purchaser Information:**

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X Contract Purchaser

Name:	c/o Project Triumph, Attn: Slapshot Holdings, LLC						
Address:	4134 S Alston Ave.						
City:	Durham	State:	NC	Zip Code:	27713		
Phone:	800-835-9007	Email:	tv@slapshotholdings.com	1			

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### About:

Conditional Rezoning applications are reviewed by the staff, Planning Commission and Town Council. The application is part of an open public process that enables the Town Council to discuss and decide on the key issues of rezoning proposal. If a rezoning is approved, the applicant may then submit a detailed final plans application to staff for compliance review with the technical development standards and with the Council CZD rezoning approval. At the beginning of the review process, the applicant is required to hold a Public Information Meeting to share the project and receive feedback from interested community members.

The following are possible questions that the Planning Commission Council may ask of an applicant during the discussion of a Conditional Rezoning. The attached application addresses these topics below. Please not that this list is not all inclusive. Contact our staff if you have any questions or if we can provide additional information (planning@townofchapelhill.org)

- 1. Would this project demonstrate compliance with the Comprehensive Plan?
  - a. Compliance with:

Small Area Plan: > Overlay Zone / NCD: > Study Area: ≻ Goals / Themes:

- 2. Would the proposed project comply with the Land Use map? Is an Amendment Proposed to The Land Use Plan?
- 3. Is the project within the Town Limits? If no, is a petition for voluntary annexation proposed as a condition?
- 4. What is the proposed zoning district?
- 5. Would the proposed project require alternate conditions as part of a conditional rezoning approval?
- 6. Are there existing conditions that impact the site design (i.e. environmental features such as RCD, slopes, erosion and sedimentation, retention of trees and tree stands, stormwater drainage patterns, existing utilities, significant views into and out of the site).
- 7. Has the applicant addressed traffic impacts? Traffic and circulation issues?
- 8. Describe the proposed building appearance including color and detailed elevations.
- 9. Has the applicant discussed the project with adjacent neighbors?
- 10. How does this project relate to adjoining properties?
  - a. Are there impacts on adjoining properties
  - b. How does the application mitigate any impacts to adjoining properties?

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# **Overview**

Site Description						
Project Name Project Triumph						
Address	7300 Millhouse Road					
Property Description	19 acre rectangular parcel fronting Millhouse Road					
Existing Land Use	Single family residential					
Proposed Land Use	Light Industrial with office and research					
Orange County Parcel Identifier Numbers	9870 89 2007					
Existing Zoning	MU-R-1					
Proposed Zoning	LI-CZD					
Application Process	Conditional Rezoning Application					
Comprehensive Plan Elements						
Overlay Districts	None					

# **Regulatory Land Use Intensity**

Design/L	UMO Standards	Requirement	Proposal	Status
Sec. 3.7 3.4.3(c)(7)	Use(s) and Use key (P,A, AY, YZ, Z)	P,A,AY YZ, Z with Council approval	P, A, YZ	$\odot$
Sec 3.8	Net Land Area	Min 17,000 sf	835,568 sf	$\odot$
Sec 3.8	Gross Land Area		919,125 sf	$\odot$
Sec. 3.8	Dimensional Standards	Street 15' Interior 10' Solar 10'	Street: min 15' Interior: min 10' Solar: min 10'	$\odot$
Sec. 3.8	Height	90' maximum	90' maximum	$\odot$
Sec. 3.8	Floor area total	NA		$\bigcirc$
Sec. 3.4.3.(c)(2)	Proposed Alternate Conditions	none		$\odot$



# Site Design

	Design/LUMO Standards		Requirement	Proposal	Status
体化	Secs. 5.6 3.4.3(c)(4)	East	10′	10'	$\oslash$
cape	Secs. 5.6 3.4.3(c)(4)	North	0	0	$\oslash$
	Secs. 5.6 3.4.3(c)(4)	South	0	0	$\oslash$
Landscape	Secs. 5.6 3.4.3(c)(4)	West	15' street buffer	15'	$\bigcirc$
	Secs. 5.7 3.4.3(c)(5)	Tree Canopy	20%	Min 20%	$\odot$
	Sec. 5.11	Lighting Plan (footcandles)	Required at Final Plans	Will be provided at final plans	$\odot$
	Sec. 3.6	Resource Conservation District	Yes	Shown on plans	$\odot$
	Sec. 5.18	Jordan Riparian Buffer	Yes	Shown on plans	$\oslash$
ent	Sec. 5.3.2	Steep Slopes	Yes		
Environment	Secs. 5.4 3.4.3(c)(3)	Stormwater Management	Required at final plans	Will be provided at final plans	$\bigotimes$
Env	Sec 3.7	Land Disturbance	Required at final plans	Will be provided at final plans	$\odot$
	Sec. 5.4	Impervious Surface	Maximum 70%	Maximum 60%	$\bigotimes$
	Sec. 5.13	Solid Waste & Recycling	Yes	Will be provided on site. Detail at final plans	$\odot$

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REZONING APPLICATION: CONDITIONAL ZONING DISTRICT SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL

Office of Planning and Development Services

a ka	Design/LUN	MO Standards	Requirement	Proposal	Status
Access & Circulation	Sec. 5.8	Street Standards	n/a	n/a	$\odot$
	Sec. 5.8	Vehicular Access	Yes	General location shown on plans	$\odot$
	Sec. 5.8	Bicycle / Greenway Improvements	Required at final plans	Will be provided on final plans	$\odot$
	Sec. 5.8	Pedestrian Improvements	Required at final plans	Will be provided on final plans	$\odot$
& Circ	Sec. 5.8	Distance from bus stop	No nearby route	n/a	N/A
ccess	Sec. 5.8	Transit Improvements	Not on a transit route	n/a	N/A
A	Secs. 5.9 3.4.3 (c)(6)	Vehicular Parking Spaces	Required at final plans	Will be provided on finals plans	$\odot$
	Secs. 5.9 3.4.3 (c)(6)	Bicycle Parking Spaces	Required at final plans	Will be provided on final plans	$\odot$
	Sec. 5.9	Parking Lot Standards	Required at Final Plans	Will be provided on final plans	$\odot$
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Other	Sec. 5.12	Utilities	Burial of electric service	Will be provided on final plans	$\odot$
	Sec. 3.4.3.(c)(2)	Proposed Alternate Conditions			N/A
Oth		Proposed Building Appearance			-

Symbol	Meaning	Symbol	Meaning
$\odot$	Meets Standard	Α	Alternate Condition Requested
NA	Not Applicable	с	Conditional Compliance

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### **Submittal Requirements**

The following must accompany your application. Failure to do so will result in your application being considered incomplete.

Application fees (refer to fee schedule)	Total \$	2,362.92
<b>Existing Recorded Documents</b> — Refer to Section 1	Application Fee \$	2,350.92
Supplemental Documentation — Refer to Section 2	Mailing Fee \$	12.00
Stormwater Management Plan and Report — Refer to Section 3	Engineering Review \$	
Plan Sets— Refer to Section 4	Fire / Life Safety \$	

Mailing List – Property owners within 1,000 foot perimeter of subject property (see GIS notification tool). (mailing fee is double due to 2 mailings)

Submit all Town Staff copies to the Development Services Desk on the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor of Town Hall. Submit External Agency copies <u>directly</u> to those agencies listed on the next page.

Monthly Submittal Deadline (new submittals): Last Thursday of the Month, 12 noon.

	First Submittal:	Town Staff	External Agencies
	Complete set of documents required in sections 1-3	1 copy	No copies
	Transmittal Sheet (Confirm External Agency submittal on Town submittal)	1 copy	1 per agency
Plan	Set Packets, to include the following:	10 copies	1 per agency
	1. Project Fact Sheet (portion filled out by applicant; pages 1-5)		
₹	2. Plan sets, with the following requirements:		
-	<ul> <li>Coversheet with project name, location, contact info, contents</li> </ul>	×	
	<ul> <li>Each sheet must be numbered and titled according to contents</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Folded, collated plans are preferred, when possible.</li> </ul>	к.	
Elect	ronic Files, to include the following:	1 copy	No copies
	1. One for each document required on application form	]	
<	2. One file for each plan sheet, name must match page title/number	1	
<b>1</b>	3. One "bundled" plan set file. If this file exceeds 20MB, also submit multiple	1	
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4	All Subsequent Submittals (weekly re-submittal deadline: Fridays at noon) Same requirements as above. * Confirm number of plan sets with Planner	See above	Agencies See above



External Contacts - Plans Must be Sent Directly to These Reviewers.

OWASA (Water / Sewer): Nick Parker 400 Jones Ferry Rd Carrboro, NC 27510 919-537-4201 NParker@owasa.org

NCDOT Chuck Edwards / DeAngelo Jones Physical: 115 E. Crescent Square Dr. Mailing: PO Box 766 Graham, NC 27253-0766 cnedwards@ncdot.gov djjones1@ncdot.gov

### **1. Existing Recorded Documents**

- a) HOA Documents
- b) Utility Easements
- c) ROW Plats
- d) Access Easements
- e) Drainage Easements
- f) Any other applicable easements or documents

### **2.** Supplemental Documents

- a) Written Narrative with the following elements
  - 1) General description of developer's program
  - 2) Description and analysis of adjacent land uses, roads, topography, soils, drainage patters, environmental constraints, environmental features, cultural features, and existing vegetation
- b) Stream Determination
- c) Jurisdictional Wetland Determination
- d) Traffic Impact Analysis or Approved Traffic Impact Analysis Exemption (TIA requirements)
- e) Rezoning Statement of Justification.
  - The Statement of Justification for the requested map change shall be based upon one or more of the following:
    - o The amendment would correct a manifest error in the map;
    - The amendment is warranted due to changed or changing conditions in the area or in the jurisdiction generally;
    - o The amendment achieves the purposes of the Comprehensive Plan.
  - Respond to the following items in the purpose statement of the zoning district [LUMO 3.4.3 (b)]:
    - That the proposed rezoning would support and encourage space for job creating, innovative, light industrial uses that serve the needs of the community and region.
    - That the proposed rezoning is located within an innovative, light industrial opportunity area "I" on the land use plan.
    - That a LI-CZD is intended to be applied to areas within the Town limit so that municipal services can be provided to properties containing innovative, light industrial uses.

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- e) Statement of Compliance with Comprehensive Plan
  - Conformance of the proposed development the Comprehensive Plan for development of Chapel Hill and its environs and response to the applicable goals of comprehensive plan.
  - Conformance of the proposed development to the Chapel Hill Land Use Plan
  - Relationship of the site to plans adopted as part of the comprehensive plan such as the Bike Plan, the Greenways Master Plan, adopted small area plans, etc...
  - Other considerations relevant to the proposed use.
- f) Statement of Justification for any proposed land uses categorized as "YZ" or "Z"
  - Description: Uses classified as "YZ" or "Z" in a conditional zoning district are permissible only with specific Town Council approval of a condition allowing those uses. Provide additional information and justification for any proposed "YZ" or "Z" uses.
  - Provide tally of proposed uses in square feet of floor area and percentages of the total proposed floor area.
  - Respond to purpose statement of zoning district [LUMO 3.4.3 (b)]
  - Relationship of the proposed use and the character of development to surrounding uses, including
    possible conflicts between uses and how conflicts will be handled.
  - Effect on the value of surrounding properties determined to be contiguous property.
  - Other considerations relevant to the proposed use.
- g) Statement of Justification for any proposed alternate conditions [LUMO section 3.4.3(c)(2)D]
  - Description: Where actions, designs, or solutions proposed by the applicant are not literally in accord with applicable regulations, or other regulations in this appendix, The town council, in approving a conditional zoning district rezoning may determine that additional and/or alternate standards are appropriate in that particular case provided that the intent of the LI-CZD standards have been met to an equal or greater degree. Any alternate condition shall be explicitly indicated the conditional rezoning approval.
  - Identify regulation, how it affects the proposed project, and how alternate condition would enable the project to meet the intent of the zoning district [LUMO 3.4.3 (b)] and standards [LUMO 3.4.3(c)(1)]

### 3A. Stormwater Management Plan

- a) Existing topography at minimum 2-foot intervals and finished grade.
- b) Natural drainage features, wetlands, streams, RCD buffers, Jordan Riparian Buffer Boundary, and floodplain boundaries.
- c) Existing utilities & easements including location & sizes of water, sewer, electrical, & drainage lines.
- d) Proposed land uses, surface types and approximate overall impervious surface area.
- e) Type, location and sizing calculations of Stormwater Control Measure (SCM).
- f) Location(s) of stormwater discharge / outlets.



### Plan Sets (10 copies to be submitted no larger than 24"x36")

Plans should be legible and clearly drawn. All plan sets sheets should include the following:

- Project Name
- Legend
- Labels
- North Arrow (North oriented toward top of page)
- Property Boundaries with bearing and distances
- Scale (engineering), denoted graphically and numerically
- Setbacks
- Streams, RCD Boundary, Jordan Riparian Buffer Boundary, Floodplain, and Wetland Boundaries, where applicable

### Area Map

- a) Project name, applicant, contact information, location, PIN, & legend
- b) Dedicated open space, parks, and greenways
- c) Overlay Districts, if applicable
- d) Property lines, zoning district boundaries, land uses, project names of site and surrounding properties, significant buildings, corporate limit lines
- e) Existing roads (public & private), rights-of-way, sidewalks, driveways, vehicle parking areas, bicycle parking, handicapped parking, street names
- f) 1,000 foot notification boundary

### **Existing Conditions Plan**

- a) Slopes, soils, environmental constraints, existing vegetation, and any existing land features
- b) Location of all existing structures and uses
- c) Existing property line and right-of-way lines
- d) Existing utilities & easements including location & sizes of water, sewer, electrical, & drainage lines
- e) Existing topography at minimum 2-foot intervals and finished grade
- f) Natural drainage features & water bodies, floodways, floodplain, RCD, Jordan Buffers & Watershed

### **Rezoning Plan**

Rezoning Plan: A plan that depicts the general configuration and relationship of the principal elements of the proposed development such as uses, intensity, location and size of parking and loading areas, access and circulation, open space, any areas containing an environmental constraints, a maximum building envelope with massing exhibits and the development envelope.

a) Location of the development envelope. Development envelope means the area, as designated on the rezoning plan, containing building footprints, parking areas, loading areas, and other appurtenant impervious features (including outdoor areas used for storage). Not included in the term development envelope are below ground utility lines, above-ground stormwater management areas, landscape and natural areas, and other non-impervious features.

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- b) Location of Vehicular, pedestrian and bike accesses to site. Include location of existing and future greenways or other transportation facilities.
- c) Open spaces and landscaped areas
- d) Building envelope / height exhibit
- e) Tree preservation Area.
- f) Site data block.
- g) Stormwater management area
- h) Conceptual utility locations (optional)
- i) Conceptual grading plan (optional).
- j) Building footprints and parking layouts (optional)



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# **PROJECT TRIUMPH**

7300 Millhouse Road LIGHT INDUSTRIAL - CONDITIONAL ZONING DISTRICT APPLICATION

# STATEMENT OF JUSTIFICATION FOR ALTERNATE CONDITIONS

27 April 2018

No alternate conditions are proposed.



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# STATEMENT OF JUSTIFICATION FOR "YZ" AND "Z" USES

27 April 2018

# "Z" Uses

The uses shown in the code which are classified as "Z" in this proposed district and which may be incorporated into the final project are:

Business, office type (A, Z)

Office space would be included in this project as one of the uses associated with the business, along with research lab space and light industrial space.

# "YZ" Uses

There will be no uses included in the project which are classified as "YZ" in the LI-CZD zone.



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# PROJECT TRIUMPH

7300 MILLHOUSE ROAD LIGHT INDUSTRIAL - CONDITIONAL ZONING DISTRICT APPLICATION

# NARRATIVE

21 May 2018

# **Developers Program**

The proposed development is envisioned to provide a building with office, research labs, and light manufacturing space to be used by one tenant. We feel that this location, with underutilized public utilities and excellent transportation connections, is the most suitable location within Chapel Hill to serve this use and provide a new economic development opportunity within Chapel Hill.

The property is approximately 19 acres located on the east side of Millhouse Road north of Eubanks. The program includes approximately 100,000 square feet of built space, and 250 parking spaces. This project will be served by access directly off Millhouse Road to surface parking throughout the site.

The eastern portion of the property contains an ephemeral stream, a perennial stream, and associated RCD and floodplain. The proposed development will be sensitive to these features. There is a small triangular area at the southeast corner of the property which could be developed in the future and access from the adjacent Carraway Village development. The building envelope in this corner has an area of approximately 1.5 acres. There would be pedestrian but not vehicular access between the main development site west of the stream and the small future phase in the southeast corner.

Surface Stormwater Management Facilities will be constructed to handle runoff from the Development and will meet the current storm management requirements.

Several farm buildings exist on the property. These buildings will be cleared and removed, with a potential of relocating them for use on another property. The

architecture of the new building(s) will be in keeping with recent construction in the industry. Construction is expected to use modern materials and the design expected to reflect the high technology industry while respecting the rural setting. The project will be designed and constructed in such a manner to provide maximum energy efficiency, space usage while providing functional design, and will be an attractive addition to the Millhouse Road light industrial neighborhood. The majority of new construction will occur in the portion of the site already cleared. Parking will be visible from the street but will be landscaped and shaded to meet Town LUMO standards.

The building space and parking numbers are approximate and may be constructed in more than one phase. This will allow flexibility of the user at the construction phase of the project. It is understood and included in text commitments in the plans that each development phase will be reviewed for Zoning Compliance Permitting and that each phase will need to comply with all LUMO requirements including minimum parking standards.

We look forward to working with the town in obtaining approvals of this much needed development to serve the Chapel Hill community - existing and future.

# Site and Neighborhood Analysis

The development of the proposed Project Triumph would continue the area's development begun by the Town of Chapel Hill Public Works and the Chapel Hill Transit projects north of the site, and continued by projects on Eubanks Road. The property directly to the north is vacant land recently rezoned LI-CZD. The parcel directly to the south is vacant, and to the southeast is a parcel distribution center, and a UNC park and ride lot. To the east there is a large mixed use commercial / residential neighborhood under construction.

The topography of the site and in the immediate area is fairly flat, averaging under 5%-10% slope. There is a stream, Old Field Stream, running south to north in the eastern portion of the site. That stream will have buffers undisturbed except for utility connections and a bike / pedestrian trail. Blackwood Mountain is located a little less than one mile to the north.

Access to the parcel is good - Millhouse Road is a 38' wide paved street with curb and gutter on both sides and some existing sidewalk north of the site.





Aerial of site (outlined in red) and surrounding properties.



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# PROJECT TRIUMPH

7300 Millhouse Road LIGHT INDUSTRIAL - CONDITIONAL ZONING DISTRICT APPLICATION

# SUMMARY RESPONSE TO APPLICATION QUESTIONS

21 May 2018

# Would this project demonstrate compliance with the Comprehensive Plan?

There is no applicable small area plan, overlay, or study area associated with this parcel or the adjoining parcels. This parcel is in a future focus area as defined in the Land Use Plan and is identified as a development opportunity area.

This parcel is at the northwest edge of the area studied in the Northern Area Task Force Plan in 2007. The proposed rezoning would meet some of the recommended development guidelines especially in regards to protection of the environmental quality of the area, and development promoting safe comfortable buildings and streetscapes in a system that promotes bicycle and pedestrian connections. It does not go against any of the recommended guidelines, though there are many guidelines that are not applicable to non-residential development or to development away from the major four roadways.

Rezoning this parcel would allow for a project compliance with the goals of the Town's Comprehensive Plan. The development would provide a large lab, research and light manufacturing space not currently available in Chapel Hill. The project will apply for Town Annexation, thereby adding to the Town's revenue as well as fostering the success of local businesses. It is well sited close to the highway and is on an existing underutilized road already serviced by bus lines and utilities.

Would the proposed project comply with the Land Use map? Is an Amendment proposed to the Land Use plan?

This parcel is in a future focus area as defined in the Land Use Plan and identified as a development opportunity area. The Town recently adopted a new zone for this and adjoining parcels allowing for a rezoning to LI-CZD.

# Is the project within Town limits? If no, is a petition for voluntary annexation proposed as a condition?

The parcel is currently in the urban services boundary but not within Town limits. A text commitment is included with this application to require a voluntary petition for annexation prior to approval of the Zoning Compliance Permit.

# What is the proposed zoning district?

LI-CZD

# Would the proposed project required alternate conditions as part of a conditional rezoning approval?

The applicant is not asking for alternate conditions.

Are there existing conditions that impact the site design (ie: environmental features such as RCD, slopes, erosion and sedimentation, retention of trees and tree stands, stormwater drainage patterns, significant views into and out of the site)

There is an existing RCD on the site which extends the length of the parcel. The development will avoid the RCD except to install sanitary sewer service, and pedestrian greenway connections. The applicant understands any work in the RCD requires separate permitting.

# Has the applicant addressed traffic impact? Traffic and circulation issues?

The applicant has arranged with the Town for a traffic impact study. That study identified one site restriction which was a driveway with a minimum 100' throat length before on site access to internal drives or parking. This restriction has been noted in the text commitments on the plan sheet DP-3.

# Has the applicant discussed the project with adjacent neighbors?

A public information meeting will be arranged by the Town.

# 7300 MILL HOUSE ROAD OFFICE BUILDING

# TRAFFIC IMPACT STUDY

# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Prepared for:

The Town of Chapel Hill Public Works Department – Traffic Engineering

Prepared by:

HNTB North Carolina, PC

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# 7300 MILL HOUSE ROAD OFFICE BUILDING

# TRAFFIC IMPACT STUDY

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**



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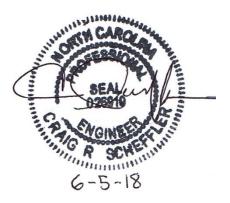
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June 2018





# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### Project Overview

The construction of a new commercial development, tentatively named 7300 Mill House Road Office Building, located along Mill House Road, is being proposed in Chapel Hill. The project proposes to construct a total of up to 110,000 square feet of general office, research laboratory, and light manufacturing space on one site parcel along Mill House Road. **Figure ES-1** shows the general location of the site. The project is anticipated to be completed over a five year horizon and assumes a full build-out scenario for the year 2023, the no-build scenario for 2023, as well as 2018 existing year traffic conditions.

The proposed site concept plan shows the addition one external vehicular access point that would have a full movement access connection with Mill House Road. An additional internal vehicular access connection to the adjacent parcel to the north of the site is also shown, along with proposed vehicular and multi-modal connections to adjacent properties to the south and east. **Figure ES-2** displays the preliminary concept plan of the 7300 Mill House Road Office Building development and nearby land uses and roadways. The project is expected to provide on-site surface parking lots with up to 250 total spaces. This report analyzes and presents the transportation impacts that the 7300 Mill House Road Office Building development will have on the following intersections in the project study area:

- Mill House Road and Clyde Road / Town of Chapel Hill Public Works Driveway
- Mill House Road and Site Driveway
- Mill House Road and Eubanks Road

The impacts of the proposed site at the study area intersections will be evaluated during typical weekday AM, noon, and PM peak hours.

### Existing Conditions

### Study Area

The site is located in northern Chapel Hill along the east side of Mill House Road just to the north of the Eubanks Road corridor. The study area contains one signalized intersection and one unsignalized allway stop intersection. It also includes the future driveway connection from the site to Mill House Road. Eubanks Road is a minor arterial facility providing connectivity in northern Chapel Hill, connecting the NC 86 corridor to the east to rural areas to the west. Mill House Road is a local access facility for low density development and Town of Chapel Hill Public Works and Transit campuses.

### Site Traffic Generation

With the addition of new peak hour trips during the AM, noon, and PM peak hours, there are potential site traffic impacts to the study area intersections. **Table ES-1** shows the site trip generation details, with generation rates and methodologies taken from the *Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) Trip Generation Manual, Version 10.* Assumptions related to development densities and land uses were made to produce the most conservative trip generation levels, based on preliminary information provided by the Applicant. Initially, the study analyzed 100,000 square feet of development yield. Updated information from Town staff indicates the potential for up to 110,000 square feet of development – so both levels are shown in **Table ES-1**. Capacity analyses completed for the study were done assuming 100,000 square feet of development.





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7300 Mill House Road Office Building - Proposed Commercial Development

Land	Density		Daily		AM Peak Hour		Noon Peak Hour*			PM Peak Hour			
Use	Density	Enter	Exit	Total	Enter	Exit	Total	Enter	Exit	Total	Enter	Exit	Total
General	100k SF	531	531	1,062	103	17	120	45	42	87	18	96	114
Office	110k SF	582	582	1,164	112	18	130	50	46	96	20	105	125

 Table ES-1. Weekday Trip Generation Summary

\* - No ITE Data Available, Assumed 75% of Averages of AM/PM Peak Hour Data

### Background Traffic

Background traffic growth for the 2023 analysis year is expected to come from two sources - ambient regional traffic growth and specific development-related traffic growth. Based on existing information, several Town-approved development projects near the project study area may be expected to contribute to background traffic growth by the 2023 analysis year. To account for specific background traffic generators and region-wide growth, an ambient area-wide traffic growth percentage of 1.5 percent per year was applied to existing traffic volumes, based on historic daily traffic growth patterns in the project study area (NCDOT and Town of Chapel Hill daily traffic information). The nearby Carolina Flex Park and Carraway Village developments were included as specific background traffic generators for the 2023 analysis year.

### Impact Analysis

### Peak Hour Intersection Level of Service (LOS)

Study results indicate existing traffic operations at all study area intersections are acceptable during the AM, noon, and PM peak hours. Even with the addition of peak hour site-generated trips to the projected 2023 background traffic volumes, no study area intersections are projected to experience deficient traffic operations in any peak hour in the 2023 analysis year. A summary of the traffic operations for each intersection, related to vehicular delays (intersection average if signalized, critical movement if stop-controlled) and the corresponding Level-of-Service (LOS) is shown in **Table ES-2**.

	Peak	2018	Existing	2023 N	o-Build	2023	Build	2023 Mi	tigated
Intersections	Hour	LOS	Delay	LOS	Delay	LOS	Delay	LOS	Delay
Mill House Road and	AM	А	9.0	В	10.4	В	10.5	N/A	N/A
Clyde Road / Town Public	NOON	А	8.2	А	9.0	А	9.1	N/A	N/A
Works Driveway#	PM	А	8.3	А	9.2	А	9.3	N/A	N/A
Million Decideral	AM	А	9.3	В	13.6	В	14.3	N/A	N/A
Mill House Road and Eubanks Road	NOON	А	7.3	А	9.4	А	9.9	N/A	N/A
	PM	А	8.0	А	14.1	С	20.9	N/A	N/A
Million Decideral	AM	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	С	17.0	N/A	N/A
Mill House Road and Site Driveway <sup>#</sup>	NOON	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	С	16.9	N/A	N/A
One Driveway	PM	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	С	21.1	N/A	N/A

Table ES-2. Peak Hour Capacity Analysis - LOS and Delay (Seconds/Vehicle) Summary

N/A – Not Applicable or No Improvements Necessary

# - Worst-Case LOS/Delay for Unsignalized/Stop-Controlled Critical Movement

### Access Analysis

Vehicular site access is to be accommodated by one proposed full movement access driveway connecting to Mill House Road that will serve the site parcel. Design details related to driveway throat



lengths are not shown on the concept plan. Driveway distances along Mill House Road from its intersection with the proposed Site Driveway are approximately 500 feet (to the potential Carolina Flex Park Site Driveway) and 1,200 feet (Eubanks Road) and are acceptable, based on recommendations of 100 foot minimum corner clearance as set forth in the 2003 *NCDOT Policy on Street and Driveway Access to North Carolina Highways* and the 200 foot minimum (intersection) spacing along local streets specified in the 2005 *Town of Chapel Hill Design Manual*. The proposed spacing between the street access connection and other local driveways is more than the recommended 50 foot spacing along local streets/100 feet along collector streets found in Table 4-A-1 in the Town Design Manual.

Access for pedestrians and bicyclists is adequate in the project study area. Sidewalk is present on the eastern side of Mill House Road adjacent to the site parcel. Unsignalized crosswalks are present at one quadrant of the two existing study area intersections. There are striped bicycle lanes painted on the both sides of Mill House Road between Eubanks Road and the Town Public Works Driveway. The proposed site concept plan indicates future pedestrian access connections from the site parcel to adjacent properties (Carolina Flex Park, Eubanks Park-and-Ride, and Carraway Village), as well as provision for a 10 foot multi-modal path along Mill House Road and internal to the site.

### Signal Warrant Analysis

Based on projected 2023 traffic volumes, operational LOS/delay results, and current/proposed access plans, no study area intersection would warrant the installation of a traffic signal, based on the methodology found in the 2009 Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

### **Other Transportation-Related Analyses**

Other transportation-related analyses relevant to the 2001 Town of Chapel Hill Guidelines for the preparation of Traffic Impact Studies were completed as appropriate. The following topics listed in **Table ES-3** are germane to the scope of this study.

Analysis	Comment
Long-Range	The proposed site could add over 1,000 daily trips to the study area network. However,
Planning Level	the Mill House Road corridor currently carries less than 2,000 vehicles daily and its daily
Daily Volume-	capacity can be estimated in the range of 10,000+ vehicles. The Eubanks Road corridor
Capacity Analysis	currently has an AADT of over 6,000 west of Mill House Road. Site traffic will primarily use
	this corridor to the east of Mill House Road for access and peak hour operational results for
	the Eubanks Road/Mill House Road intersection do not indicate any capacity issues.
Turn Lane	Storage bay lengths at study area intersections were analyzed using Synchro and HCM
Storage	95 <sup>th</sup> percentile (max) queue length estimates for the 2023 Build Scenario. No unsignalized
Requirements	intersections are expected to have excessive peak hour queues or conditions that exceed
	existing turn lane storage. No additional lengthening of existing turn lanes at the Eubanks
	Road / Mill House Road signalized intersection is necessary, though maximum projected
	queue lengths may fully fill the southbound left-turn lane at this intersection.
Appropriateness	The site concept plan shows no specifics related to acceleration/deceleration lanes along
of Acceleration/	Mill House Road. Based on capacity analysis results, no additional acceleration or
Deceleration	deceleration lanes are required. No other specific acceleration/deceleration lane issues
Lanes	were analyzed in the project study area.
Pedestrian and	Existing pedestrian and bicycle access and connectivity is adequate in the project study
Bicycle Analysis	area. Sidewalk exists along the Mill House Road corridor on the east side of the road,
	though connectivity beyond Mill House Road along the Eubanks Road corridor is currently
	lacking. Delineated bicycle lanes along Mill House Road are present in the project study
	area, but again, connectivity along the Eubanks Road corridor to any dedicated bicycle
	facilities are currently lacking. Proposed internal 10 foot wide paved paths connecting to

## Table ES-3. Other Transportation-Related Analyses

Analysis	Comment
	adjacent development parcels are indicated on the site concept plans.
Public Transportation Analysis	Public transportation service to the study area is adequate in that the nearby Eubanks Road Park-and-Ride is serviced by the high capacity CHT NS bus route. Provision for a pedestrian connection from this bus stop to the site parcel is shown on the site concept plans.

### Mitigation Measures/Recommendations

### **Planned Improvements**

There are no Town of Chapel Hill or North Carolina Department of Transportation improvement projects for study area roadway facilities within the analysis year time frame of 2018-2023.

### **Background Committed Improvements**

There are no specific geometric or operational improvements to study area roadway intersections or facilities related to background private development projects that are expected to be completed between 2018 and 2023. North of the proposed site parcel, the planned Carolina Flex Park development traffic impact study contained a recommendation to construct a northbound right-turn deceleration lane on Mill House Road at its proposed site driveway. This improvement, if constructed when Flex Park development moves forward, will have no effects on other intersections in the 7300 Mill House Road Office Building project study area. East of the study area, Eubanks Road will be improved to a widened cross-section through committed improvements from the Carraway Village development.

### **Applicant Committed Improvements**

Based on the preliminary site concept plans and supporting development information provided, there are no specific external transportation-related improvements proposed adjacent to the Mill House Road Office Building, other than preliminary provisions for potential future vehicular cross-access from the site parcel to adjoining properties and a potential future pedestrian/bicycle access connection to the Eubanks Road Park-and-Ride/Carraway Village area. These connections are shown in **Figure ES-3**.

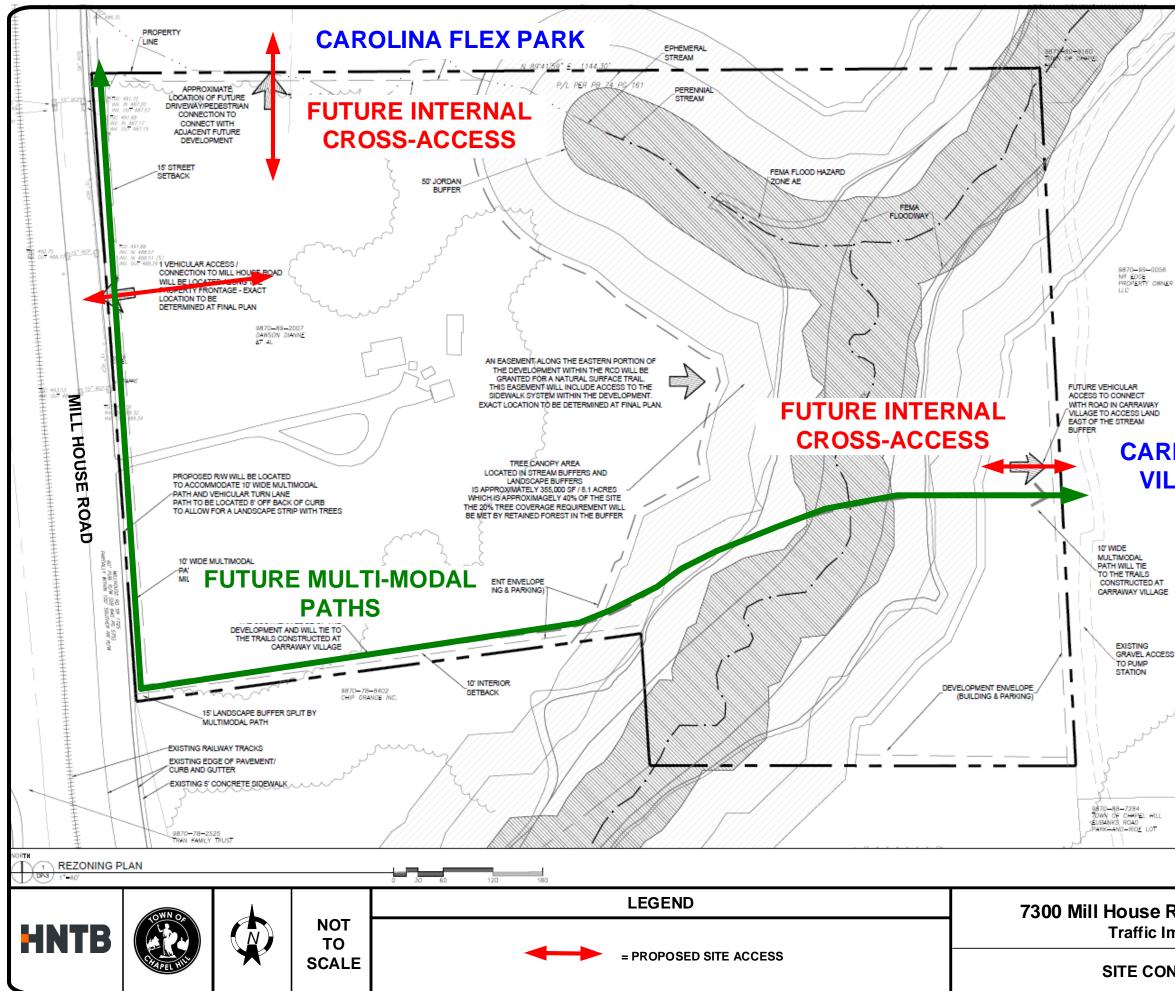
### **Necessary Improvements**

Based on traffic capacity analyses for the 2023 design year, and analyses of existing study area turning bay storage lengths and site access, the following improvements are recommended as being necessary for adequate transportation network operations (see **Figure ES-3**).

1) For the Site Driveway access connection to Mill House Road, provide a minimum of 100 feet of driveway throat length to any on-site surface parking lot areas and internal roadway circulation connections.

The Build Scenario traffic operations results and recommended improvements for this study were determined for an initial development yield of 100,000 square feet. Per information from Town of Chapel Hill staff, a potential yield for 110,000 square feet for the site is also being considered and was analyzed in the trip generation process for this report. Results indicate that the additional 10,000 square feet of space is expected to have marginal trip generation impacts, with approximately 100 additional daily and 10 additional AM and PM peak hour trips. These impacts are not expected to have any change on the recommendations presented in this report.





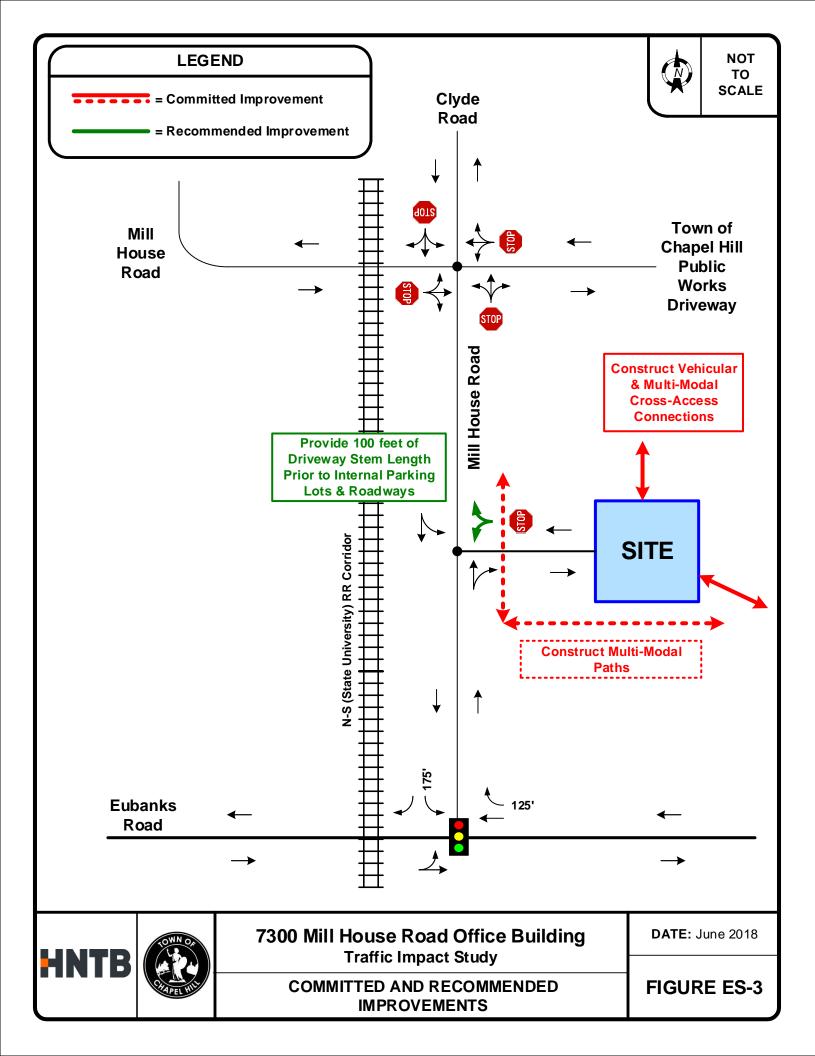
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# 7300 Mill House Road Office Building Traffic Impact Study

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SITE CONCEPT PLAN

# FIGURE ES-2

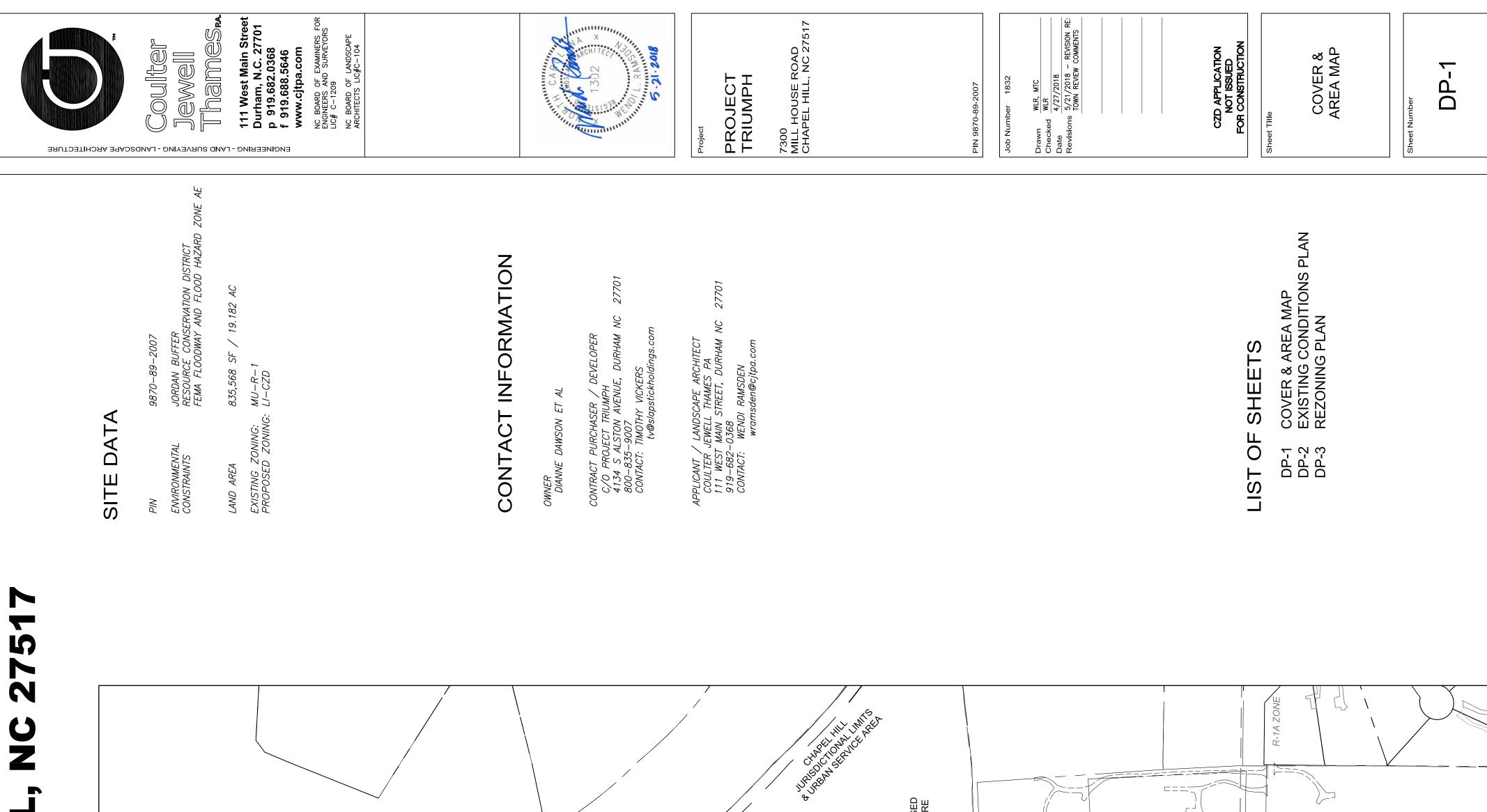


How does this project relate to adjoining properties? Are there impacts on adjoining properties? How does the application mitigate any impacts to adjoining properties?

Parcels north of the site are already developed for Town and Public Transportation uses. The adjacent parcel directly north of the site has recently been rezoned to the LI-CZD zoning, but is currently vacant. The property to the southwest is vacant. The properties to the southwest are developed as a parcel delivery warehouse and also a UNC park and ride lot. The property to the east is currently under construction as a residential and commercial mixed use neighborhood. The impacts to adjoining properties will be: specific points of internal access for future connectivity, added development and traffic, addition to the greenway system. No direct vehicular connection is anticipated between the project parcel and the adjacent residential neighborhood.

Traffic mitigation is expected and will follow the TIS recommendations. The internal access points are not necessarily needing mitigation as the undeveloped property to the north is without a specific development plan at this time. The greenway addition is a positive impact.

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