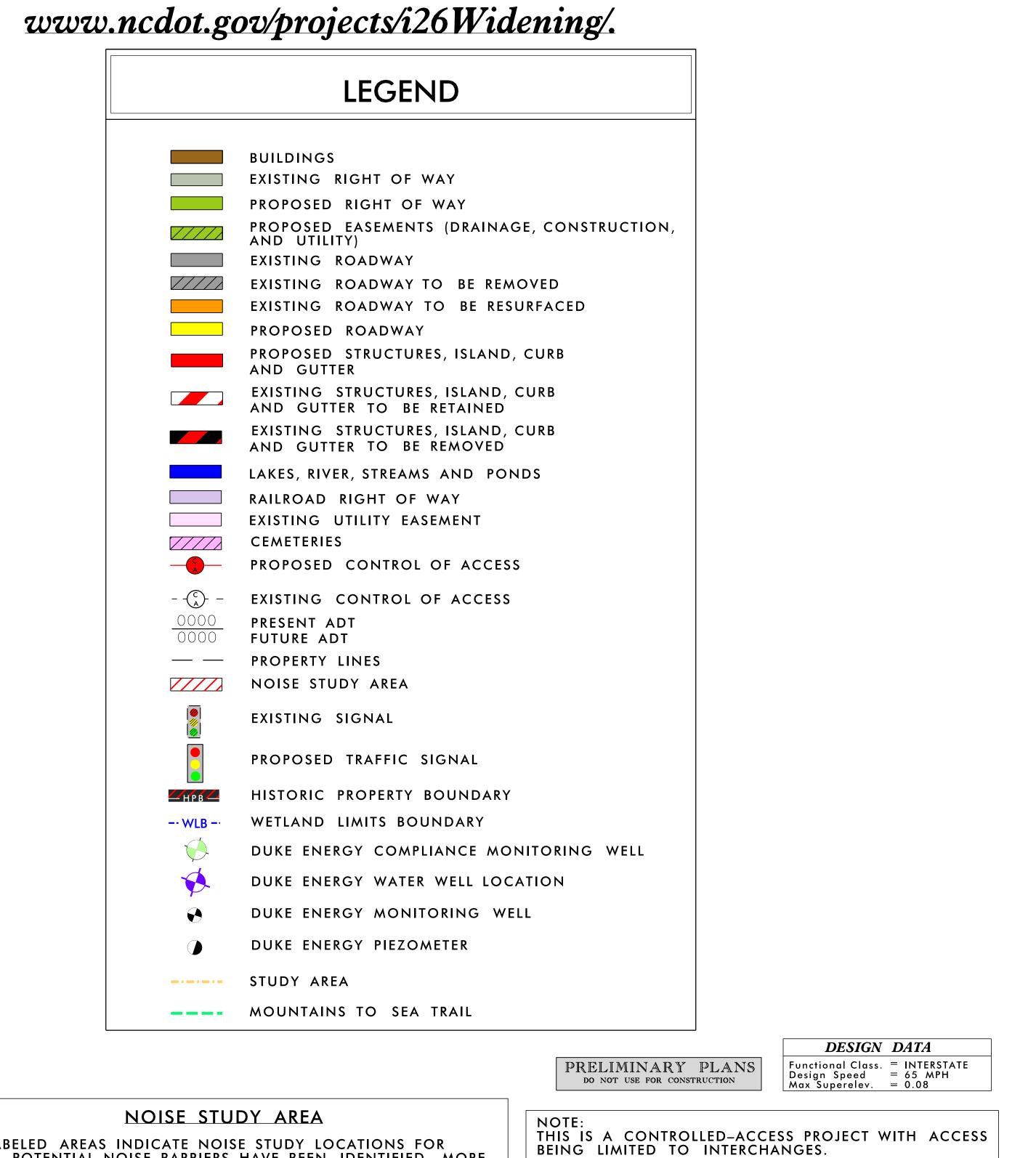
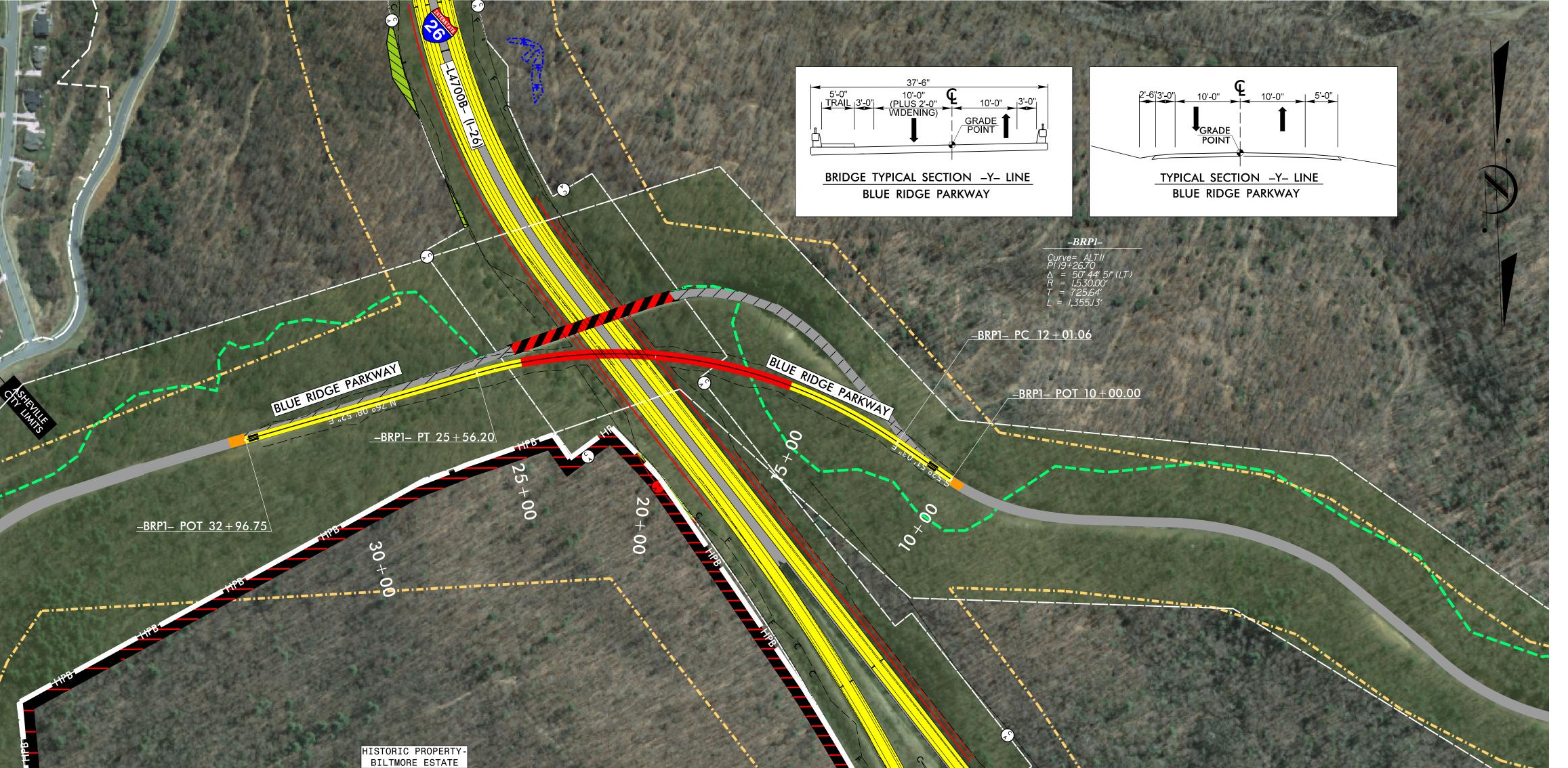
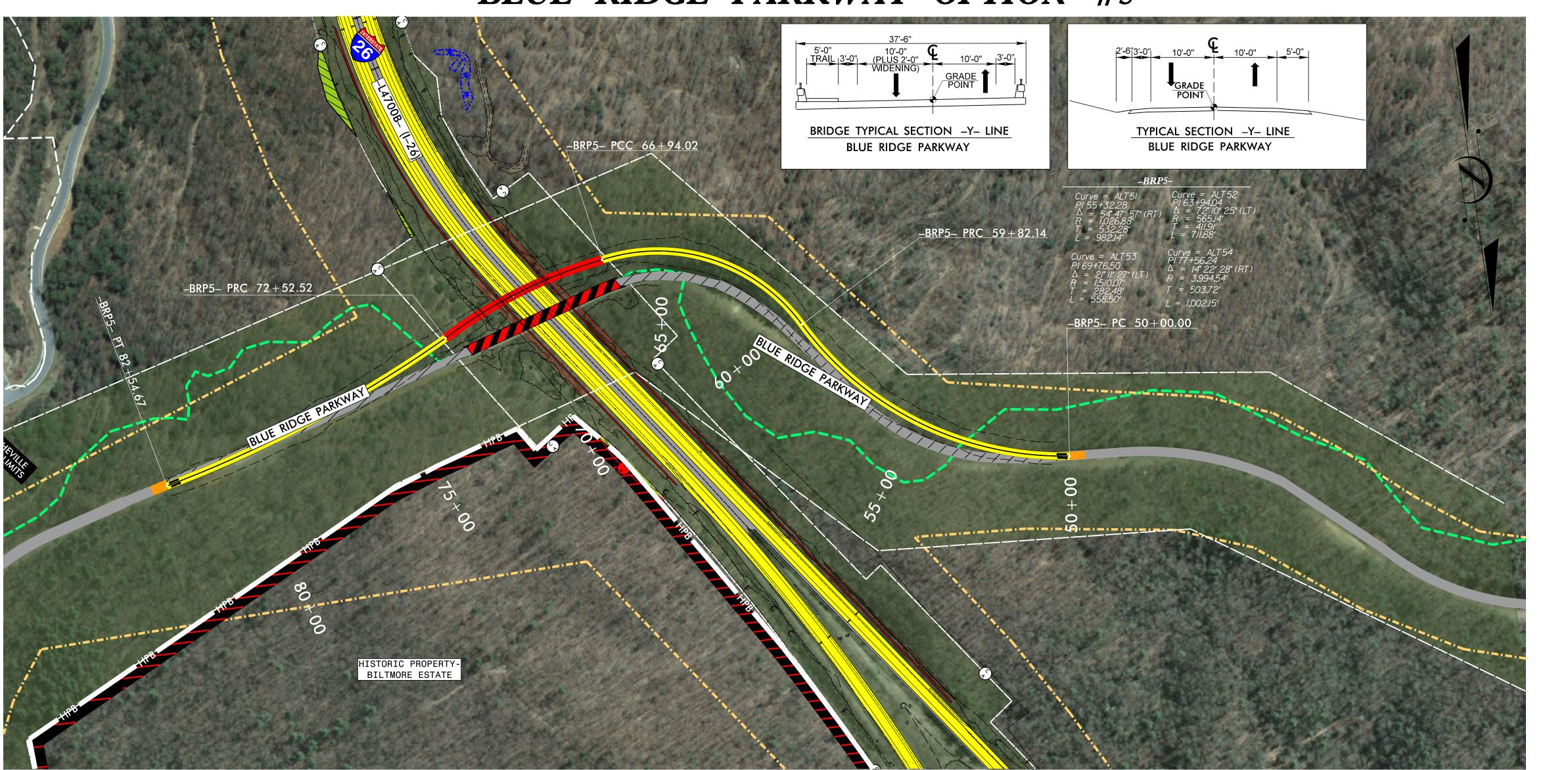
conjunction with replacing the existing bridge over I-26 were investigated in detail. The National Park Service conducted a Value Analysis evaluation of these five options and Option 4 was identified as the NPS* Preferred Option. The selection of the Preferred Option 4 was based on maintaining visitor experience, park operations, public health and safety and natural and cultural resource preservation consistent with the Blue Ridge Parkway enabling legislation. Therefore, Option 4 is included on the hearing maps (Sheet 6) and identified in the Draft EIS as the Preferred Option. Options 1, 5, 6 and 7 were also considered and investigated in more detail but were not selected as the Preferred Option. See the Blue Ridge Parkway Bridge over Interstate 26 technical report (NPS-BLRI and FHWA-EFL, 2015) and the Replacement of Blue Ridge Parkway Bridge Over Interstate 26 Value Ånalysis Study (FHWA-EFL, 2016) for further information. Both reports are available at the public meeting/hearing and are available on the NCDOT website at



BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY OPTION #1



BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY OPTION #5



BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY OPTION #6

