

# Tell us what you know



Palmetto Railways will be looking a number of criteria when identifying the location for the new rail line. The project team will seek to minimize impacts to the human and physical environment when engineering the rail alignment. If you have information that might help us make the best decisions for the project, please provide your input. We will use this information to determine the most viable location for the rail line.

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#### Welcome

The purpose of today's meeting is to:

- 1 Introduce you to the details of the Camp Hall Rail project.
- 2 Answer your questions and receive your comments.
- Get specific information about your property and what is most important to you.

### What is the Camp Hall Rail project?

The Camp Hall Rail is a new industrial rail line to serve the Camp Hall Commerce Park in Berkeley County, South Carolina. This line will:

 Connect Camp Hall Commerce Park to existing railroad right-of-way, near the Santee Cooper Cross Generating Station in Berkeley County.

- Be constructed, owned, and operated by Palmetto Railways.
- Have the potential to open the door to greater economic development efforts to support the state of South Carolina.

# The purpose of this project is to:

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Provide access to an inland network to spur continued economic development.

Support Camp Hall Commerce Park in Berkeley County including its primary tenant, Volvo, and future industries.

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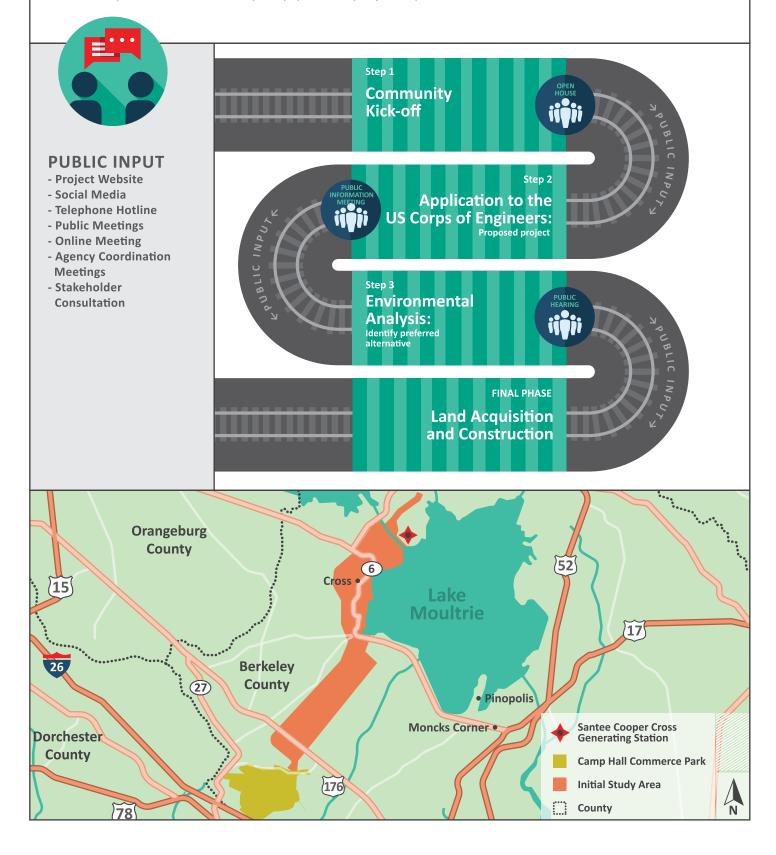
Facilitate development of the entire Camp Hall Commerce Park area.

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Provide alternative means of freight transportation for tenants of Camp Hall Commerce Park.

As part of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process, Palmetto Railways will engage the community to help complete a rigorous environmental analysis and preliminary engineering effort that will reflect the concerns of the community and the effects this project may have on the social, economic and natural resources in the study area. Palmetto Railways will work closely with the local community to communicate openly, provide project updates, solicit feedback and address concerns.



## **Frequently Asked Questions**



#### What is an industrial rail line?

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#### What is the purpose and benefit of this project?

needed to support the state's infrastructure needs and will provide Camp Hall access to a statewide rail network. Rail

connectivity provides for truck-to-rail conversions, resulting

The project is needed to provide rail access for the

development of future industries at the Camp Hall Commerce Park in Berkeley County, South Carolina. The project will support future economic development opportunities for the region and state. Rail growth is

in decreases in highway congestion.

An industrial rail line facilitates the movement of freight to broaden industrial product transportation.

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#### How will I know if my property will be impacted?

A preferred route has not been identified. Thus, we are not able to identify directly impacted landowners at this time. We encourage anyone within the project study area to attend the open house to learn more about potential impacts.



#### Where is the route?

To date, the route has not been identified. Palmetto Railways will identify a preferred rail route through an application to the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) that will define the need for the project. Palmetto Railways will also perform an analysis of the impacts to the environment of the proposed project as required by the National **Environmental Policy Act. These studies will identify and** evaluate rail alternatives within the study corridor, evaluate environmental impacts of the proposed project and alternatives, and provide for public and agency involvement. Throughout the process with the USACE, Palmetto Railways will engage in a process that encourages communication and cooperation between those who are involved in project-related decision making, including government officials, private businesses, and the public.



#### How do I stay involved and informed?

Palmetto Railways is committed to collaborating with Berkeley County, state and federal officials and local residents to ensure that the community and surrounding areas are included in the rail line development. Palmetto Railways is committed to engaging all interested stakeholders throughout the project. The project team will provide a number of opportunities for stakeholders to learn about the project and provide input. These opportunities include the community kickoff event and an online public meeting.



#### When will construction begin?

A construction timeline has not been determined as the schedule depends on the final decision of the environmental analysis and permit decision by the USACE. The draft schedule shows construction to tentatively begin in Q4 2017.

