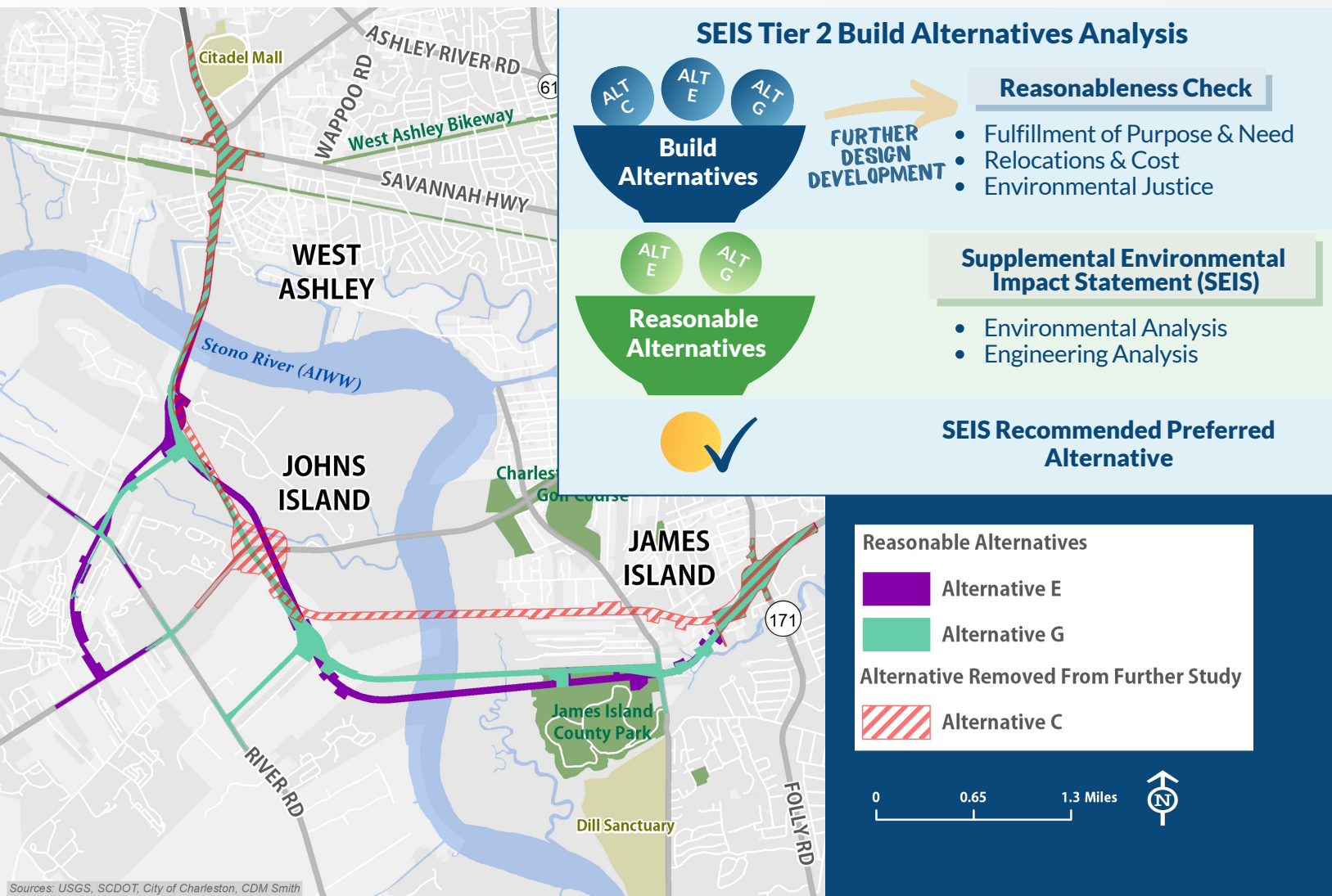


What's Been Happening: Tier 2 Alternatives Analysis

Since the last update, the project team conducted the Tier 2 Build Alternatives Analysis. The tier 2 analysis included detailed studies of the three build alternatives still being considered: Alternatives C, E, and G. The analysis included each alternative's ability to meet the purpose and need of the project, their potential impacts to the natural and human environment associated with construction, and estimated construction costs.

After completing the Tier 2 Build Alternatives Analysis, Alternative C was removed from further consideration as a reasonable alternative. Of the three build alternatives, Alternative C performed the worst regarding traffic mobility, and would likely increase congestion on Maybank Highway and River Road. Additionally, Alternative C would require the most relocations of residences and businesses. The remaining two alternatives, Alternatives E and G, were carried forward as reasonable alternatives in the Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS).



Going Forward

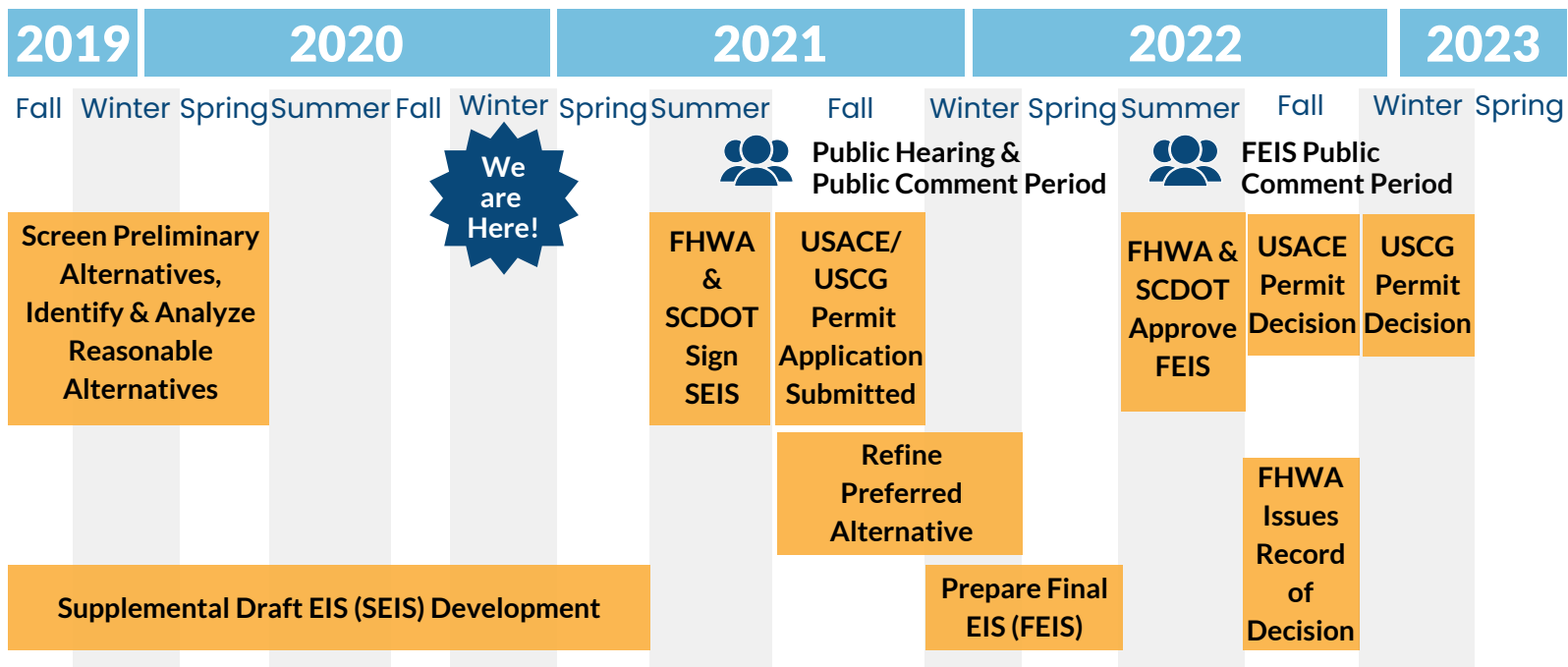
As the project team finalizes the SEIS in advance of the Public Hearing, we continue to identify ways to minimize the project's impacts on the community and natural environment. The completed SEIS will identify the preferred alternative, which will be presented in detail at the upcoming Public Hearing. In the updated project schedule below, you will notice the Public Hearing is now planned for the late summer/early fall of this year. This shift will help minimize confusion between the various regional transportation projects also seeking your input.

Over the coming months, the project team will stay current with public health guidelines to prepare for the public hearing. We remain hopeful this shift in schedule will also allow for increased engagement opportunities. This summer, we will reach out to community leaders, and YOU, to better understand your comfort level with various types of engagement so we can propose opportunities for meaningful engagement.

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