

I. Economic Development

In 1994, Orange County designated three (3) Economic Development Districts (EDDs) within the county, the Eno EDD being one of them. The other two EDDs are located south of Hillsborough on Old NC 86 and in the west-central portion of the county south of Interstate 85 in the Buckhorn Road area. The EDDs are subject to special development regulations, as is detailed in the Economic Development Districts Design Manual administered by Orange County's Planning Department.

The Eno EDD, which comprises much of the Focus Area, was formerly referred to as the I-85/US 70 EDD. It is comprised of approximately 562 acres of land. Additionally, approximately 227 acres are located in the adjacent Commercial Node to the south. One of the primary obstacles in developing the EDD has been the lack of public water and sewer. It was the intent of the Design Manual that sites in the EDDs be served with public water and sewer. As was stated in Section D, Water Service and Sanitary Sewer Service, Orange County and the City of Durham would have to enter into a Utility Service Agreement for the purpose of providing these services to the EDD. Land development in the EDD is intended to occur under Orange County development regulations with coordination with the City of Durham.

The Focus Area contains numerous commercial and industrial uses, located primarily along the Highway 70 corridor.