

# Ontario Active Transportation Plan Update & E Idaho Ave Refinement Plan

Ontario Planning Commission/City Council

Joint Work Session

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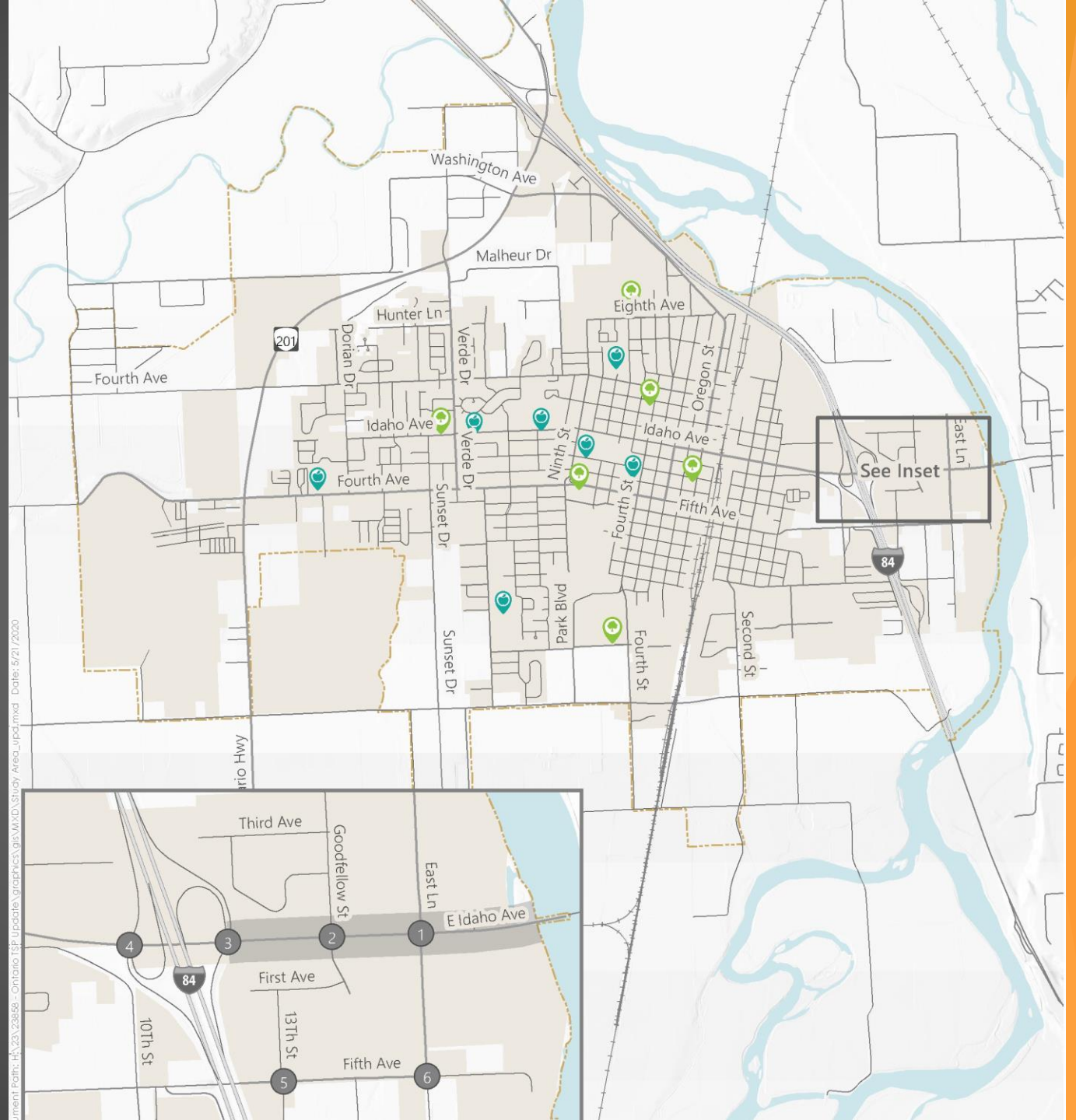
# Agenda

- ▶ Project Background & Process
- ▶ East Idaho Avenue Refinement Plan
- ▶ Active Transportation Plan
- ▶ Code Amendments/Implementing Ordinances
- ▶ Next Steps

# Project Background & Process

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- ▶ ODOT TGM Grant
- ▶ Updates 2006 TSP
- ▶ Two Plans
  - E Idaho Avenue Refinement Plan
  - Citywide Active Transportation Plan



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# Vision Statement – Active Transportation Plan

*Develop a comprehensive active transportation network providing **safe** and **comfortable** mobility options for **all** of Ontario's residents, employees, and visitors, thereby enhancing the City's **economic vibrancy** and promoting a **healthy lifestyle** for the Ontario community.*

# Vision Statement – East Idaho Avenue

Create **multimodal connections** between downtown and the East Idaho Avenue commercial area and **enhance the streetscape** of the East Idaho Avenue corridor, thereby **better connecting** Ontario residents and visitors to employment opportunities and **enhancing the economic vibrancy** of the East Idaho Avenue corridor.

# Goals – Both Plans

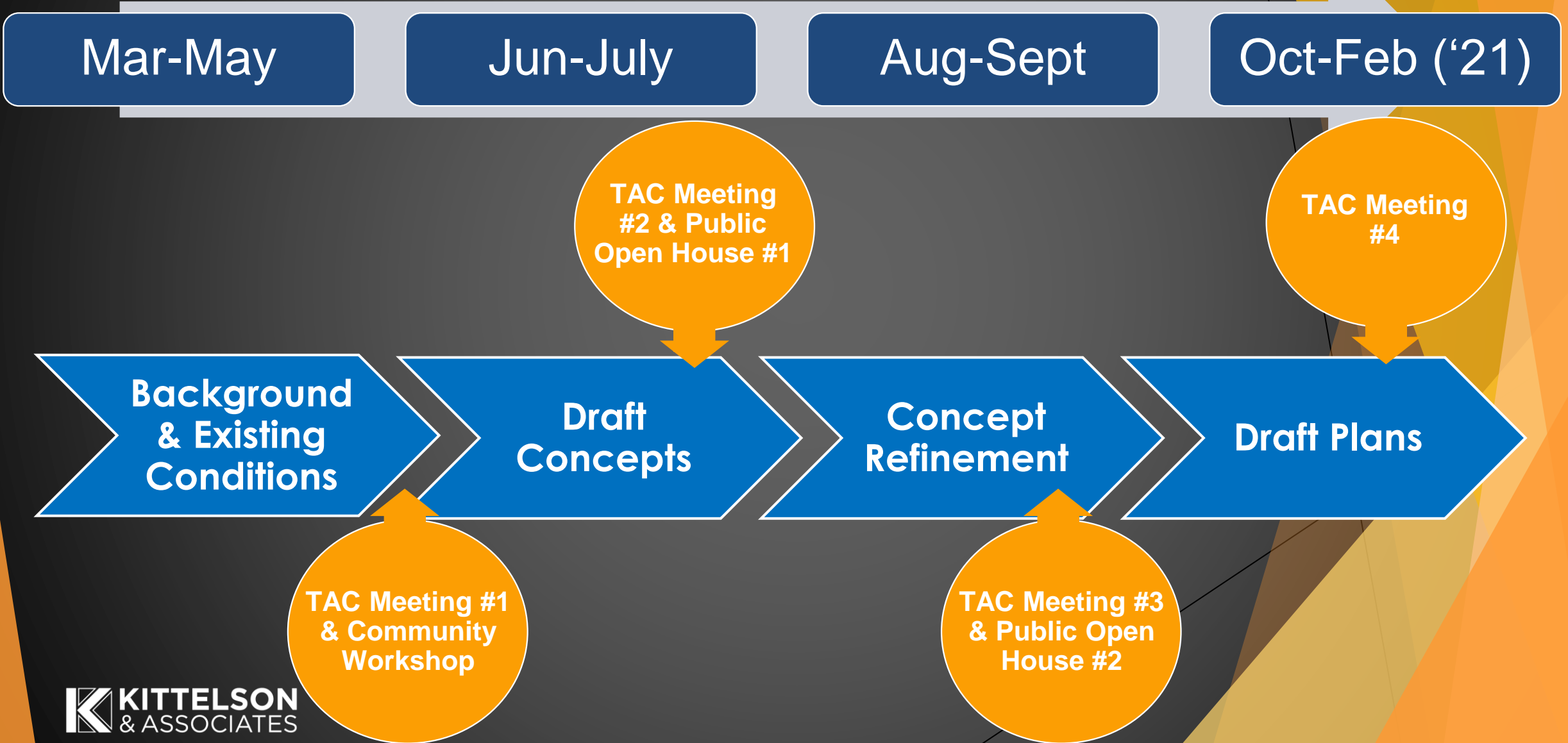
- ▶ Goal #1 – Mobility
  - Provide a **balanced, safe, and efficient multimodal** transportation system for **all members** of the community
- ▶ Goal #2 – Safety
  - Improve the multimodal transportation system to enhance **safety for all users**, skill levels, and ages

# Goals – E Idaho Ave Plan Only

- ▶ Goal #3 – Environment
  - Mitigate the impacts of the East Idaho Avenue corridor on the environment



# Project Schedule



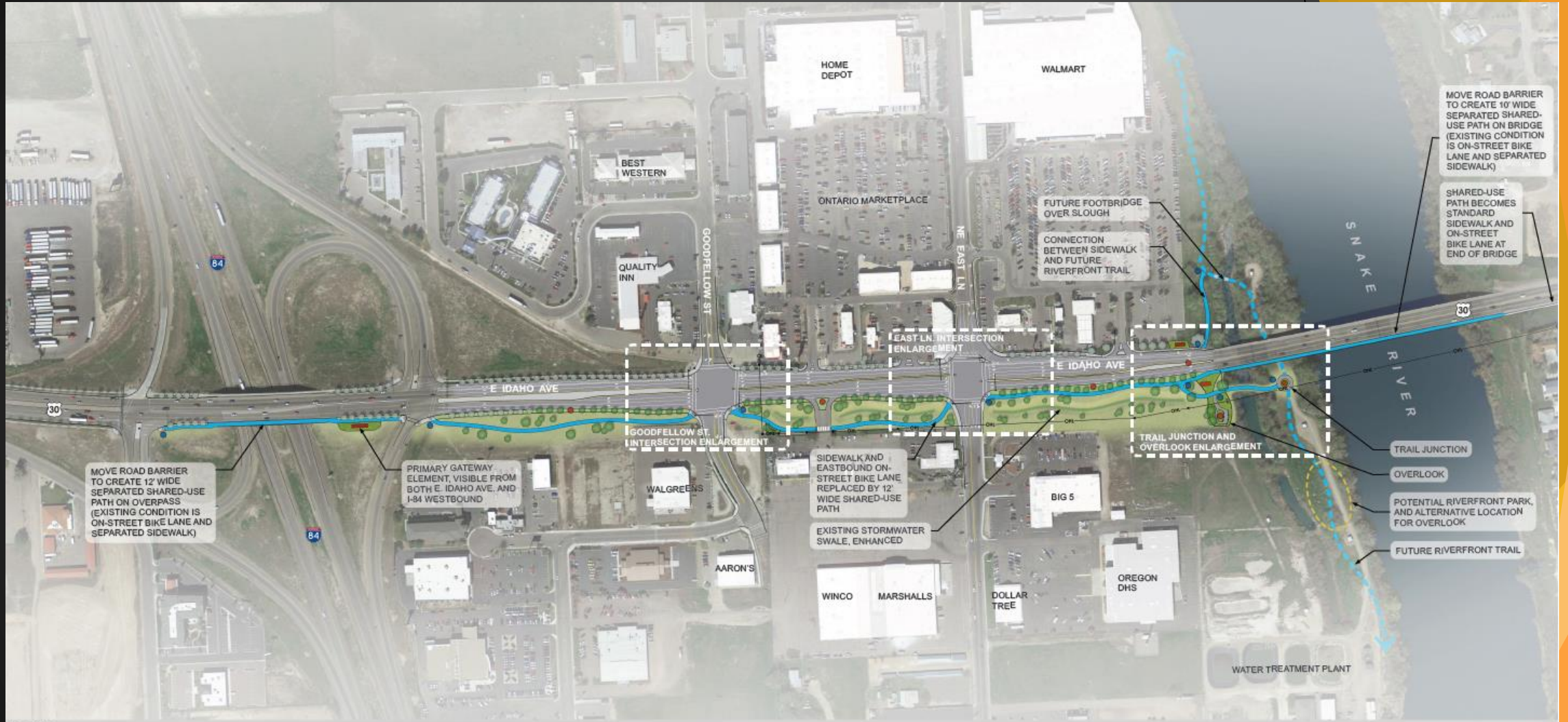
# Public Outreach Efforts

- ▶ 3 Online Open Houses
  - 80 comments/responses
- ▶ 2 Saturday Market Booths
  - 84 connections
- ▶ 2 Youth Workshops
  - 130 Students
- ▶ Project Website
- ▶ 3 TAC Meetings



# East Idaho Avenue Refinement Plan

# East Idaho Avenue Concept



## LEGEND

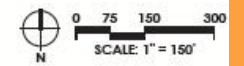
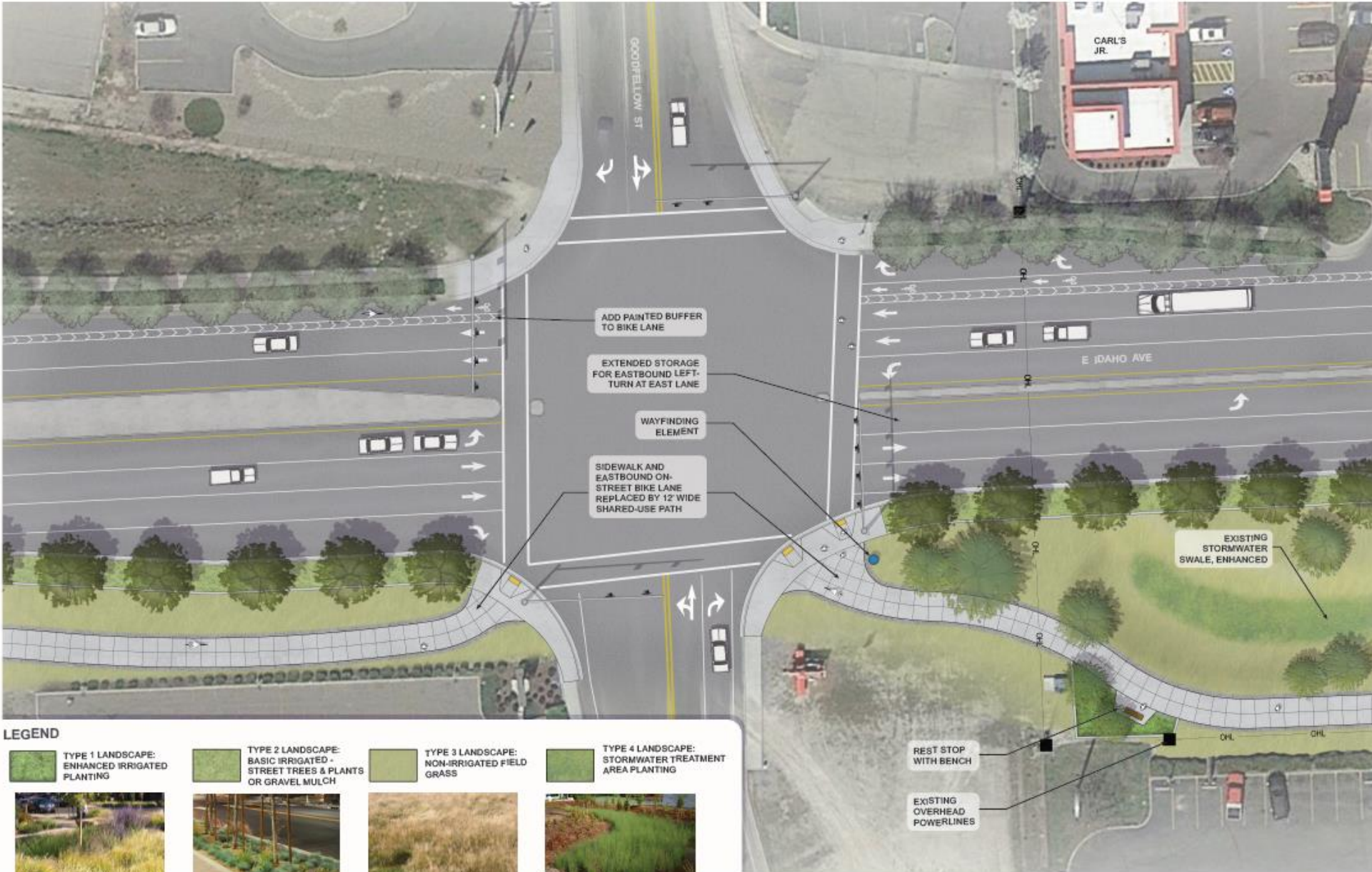
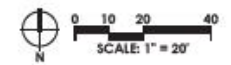


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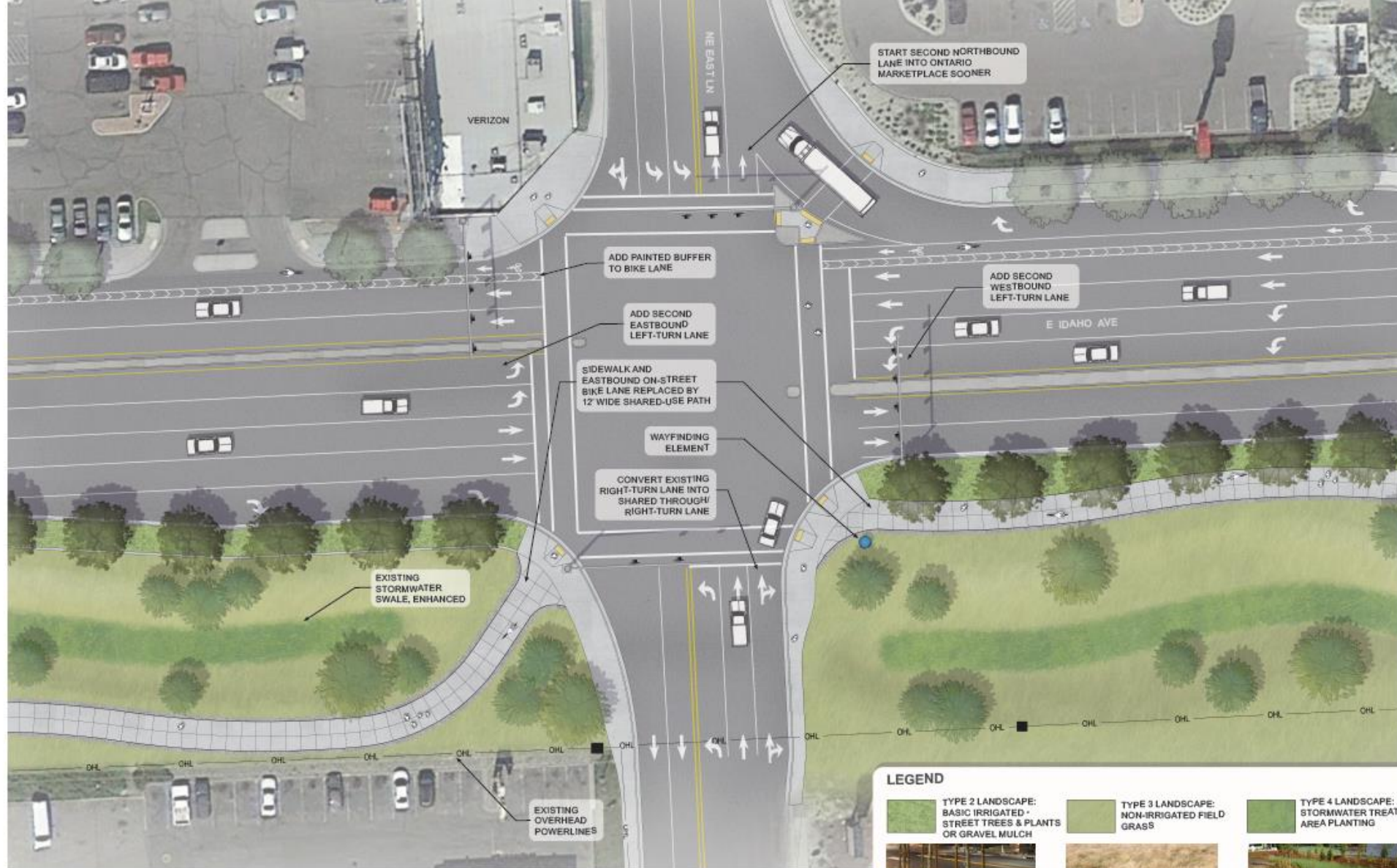
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**EAST IDAHO AVENUE REFINEMENT AREA PLAN**

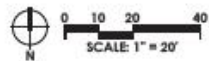


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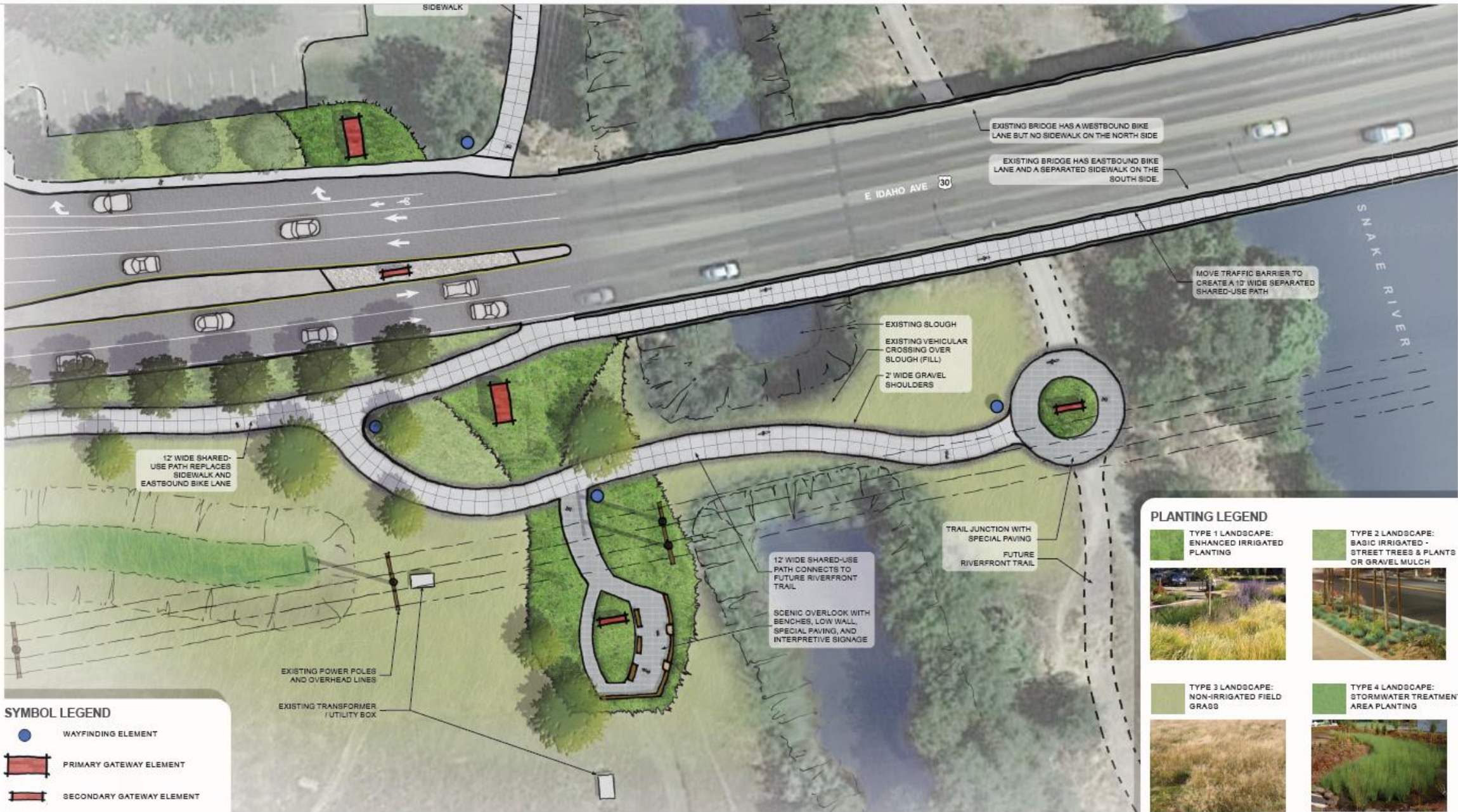
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# TRAIL JUNCTION AND OVERLOOK ENLARGEMENT

## EAST IDAHO AVENUE REFINEMENT AREA PLAN



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# Active Transportation Plan



# ATP Contents

- ▶ Projects
  - Walking
  - Biking
  - Crossing
- ▶ Prioritization
- ▶ Public Transportation Enhancements
- ▶ Updated Street Sections

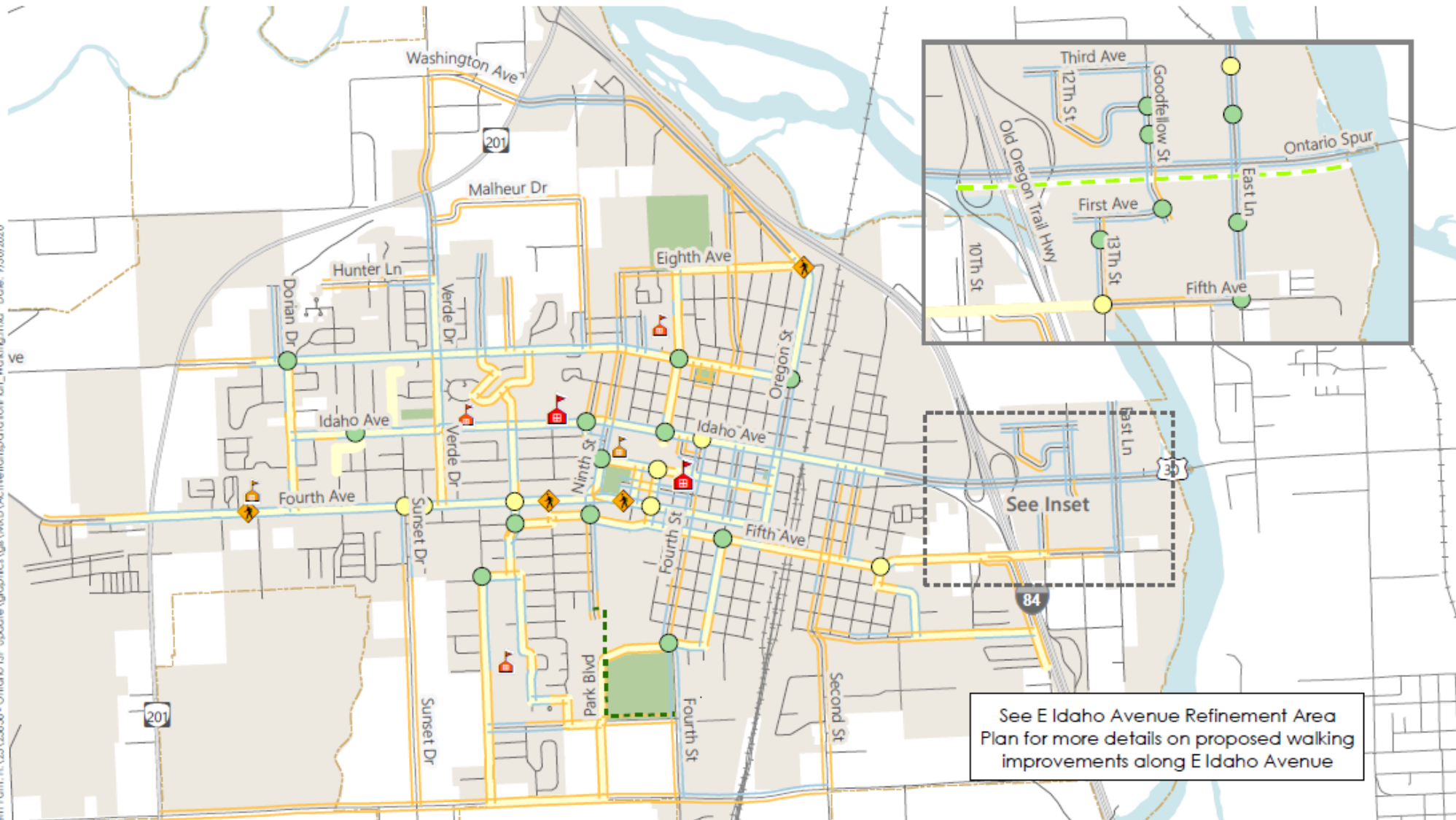
# Project Development

- ▶ Gaps
  - Technical Analyses
  - Safe Routes to School
- ▶ Public Input

# Prioritization Criteria

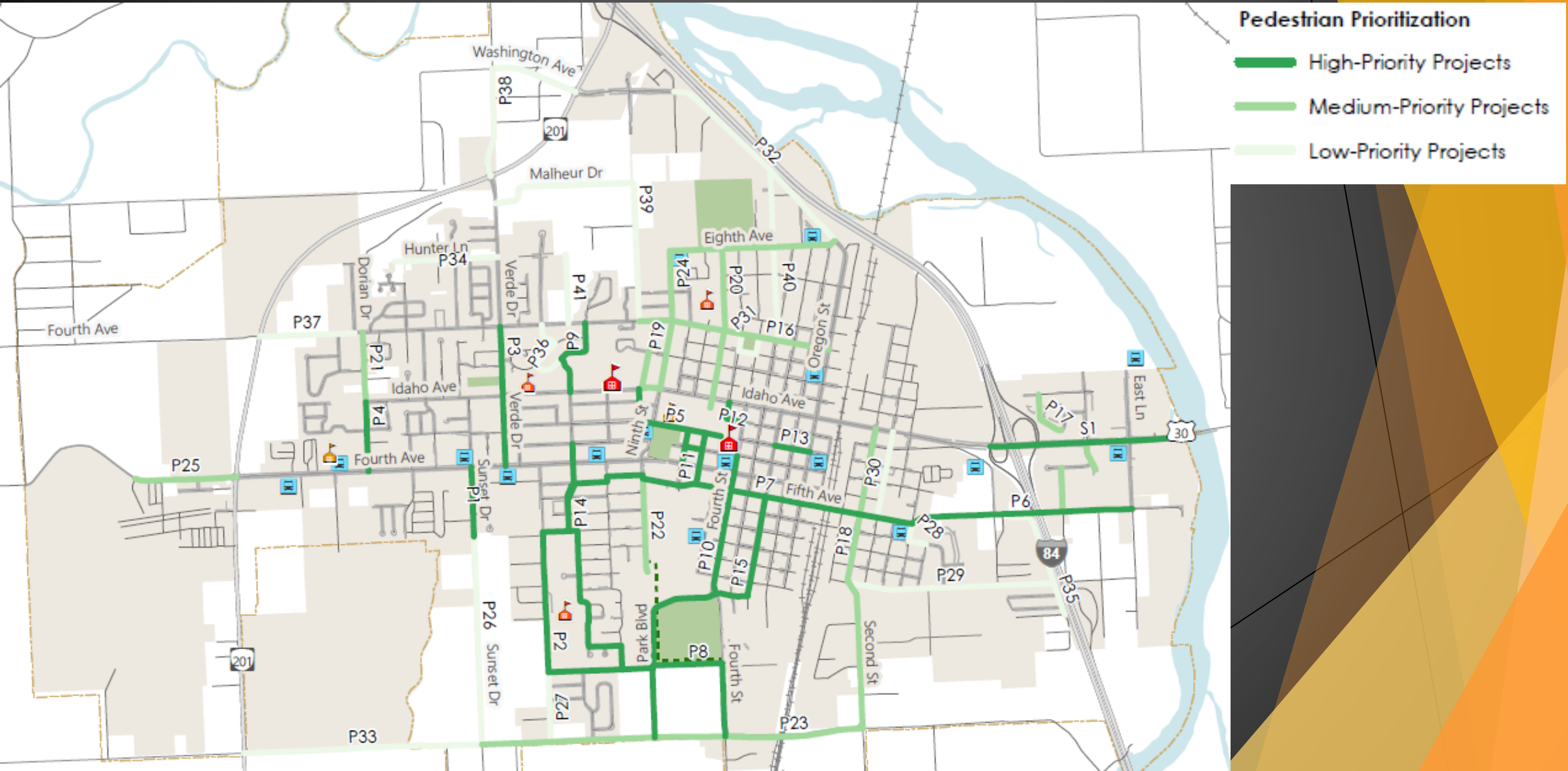
- ▶ Safety
  - ODOT Ped/Bike Safety Plan Factors
- ▶ Equity
  - ODOT Transportation Disadvantaged Index
- ▶ Connectivity and Accessibility
- ▶ Cost/Implementation

# Walking/Crossing Projects

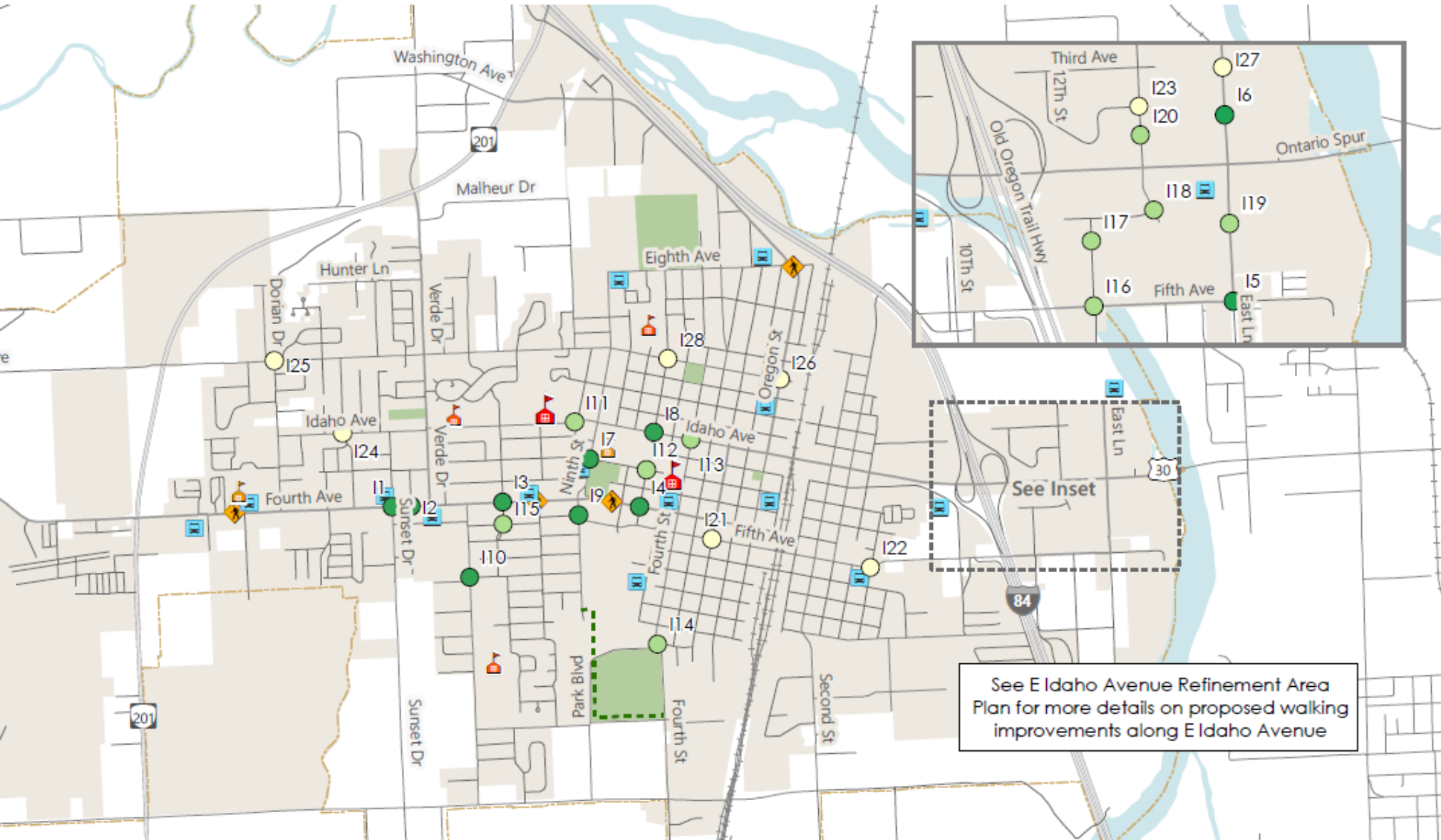


- Existing Sidewalk
- Existing Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon
- Existing Safe Routes to School Route
- Proposed Improvements**
- Proposed Sidewalk
- - - E Idaho Ave Proposed Shared-Use Path
- Enhanced Crossing
- Signing and/or Marking Improvements
- Add Curb Ramps at Intersection

# Walking Projects Prioritization

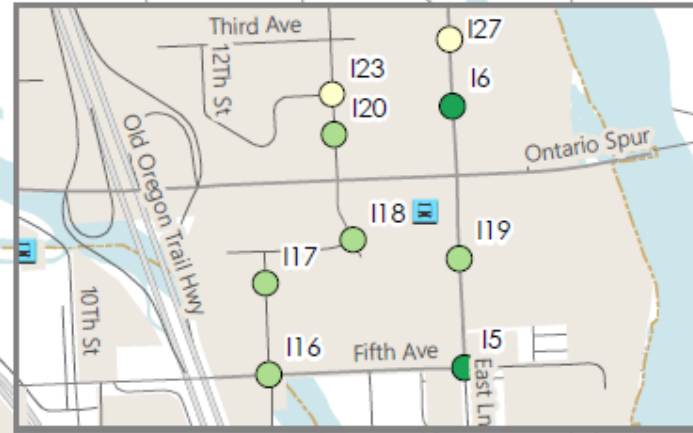


# Crossing Projects Prioritization



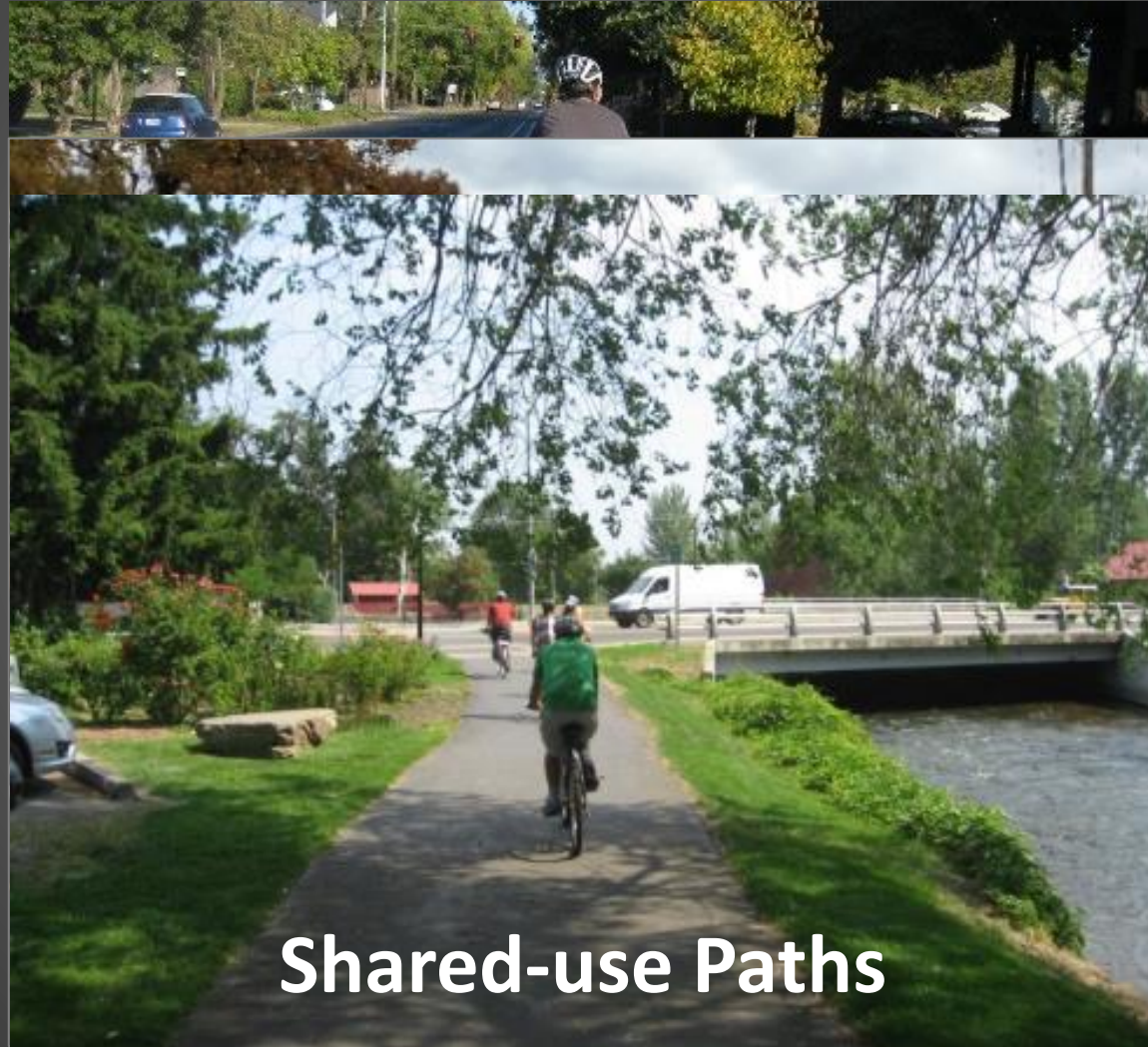
## Intersection Prioritization

- High-Priority Projects
- Medium-Priority Projects
- Low-Priority Projects



See E Idaho Avenue Refinement Area Plan for more details on proposed walking improvements along E Idaho Avenue

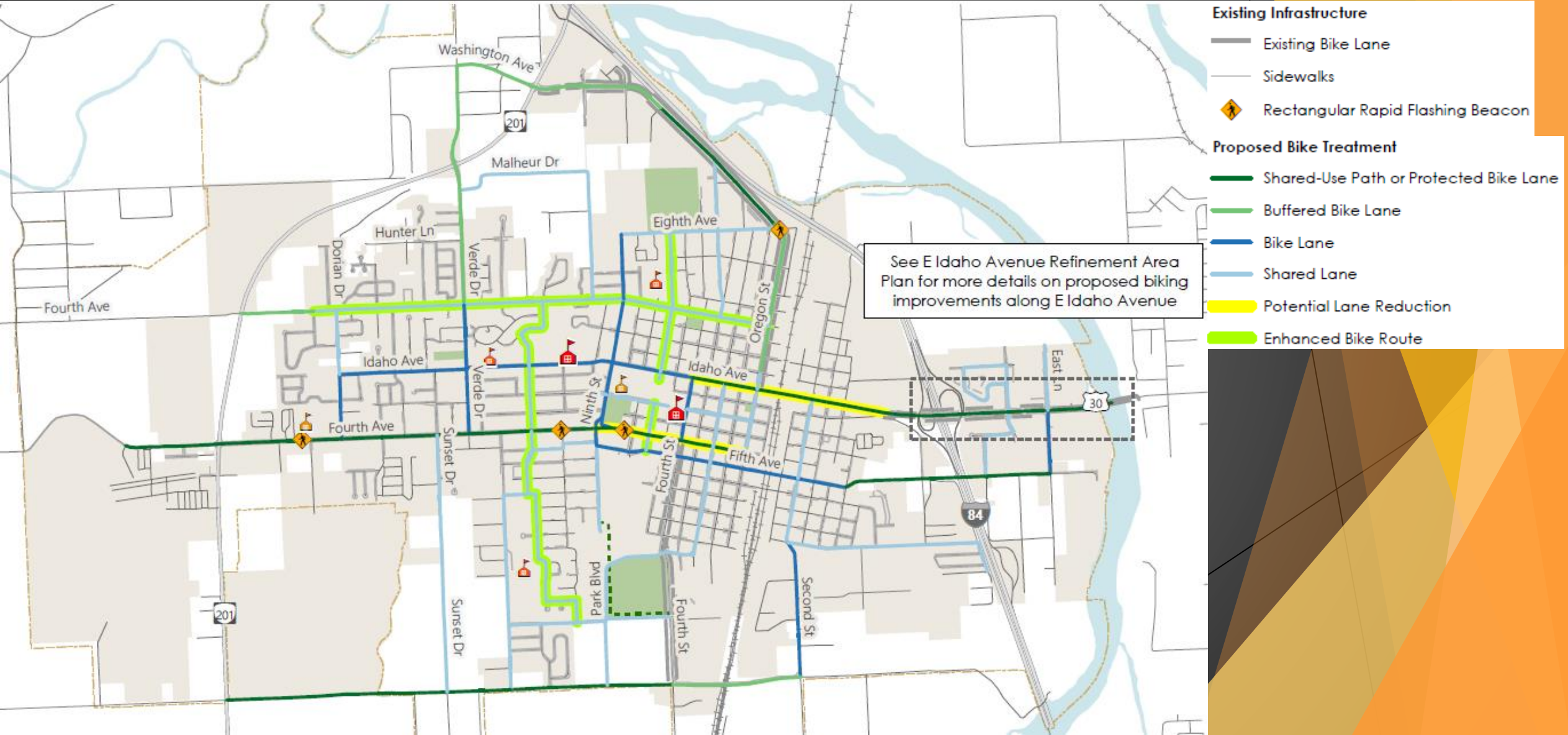
# Proposed Biking Project Types



Shared-use Paths

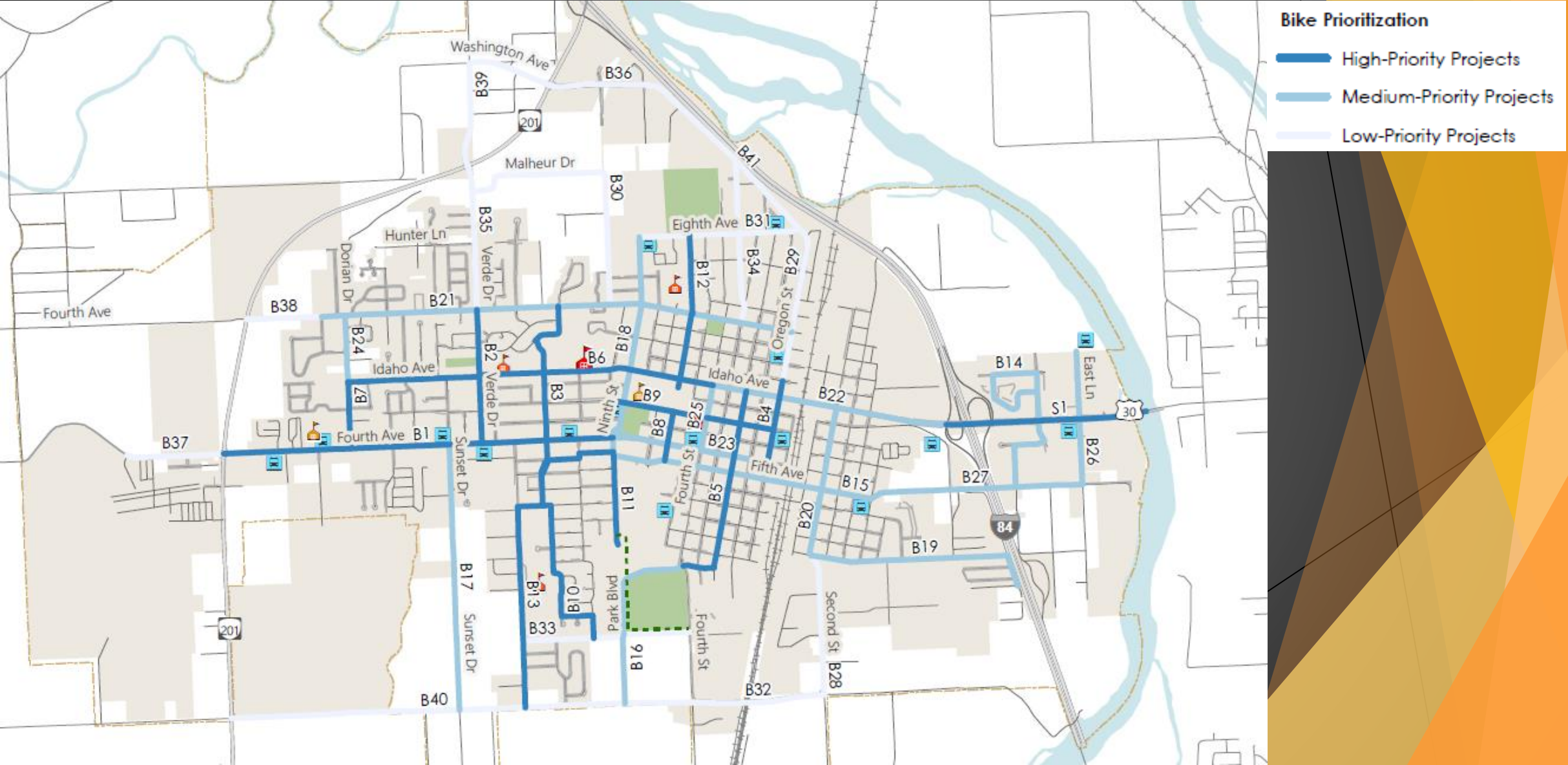
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# Biking Projects





# Biking Projects Prioritization

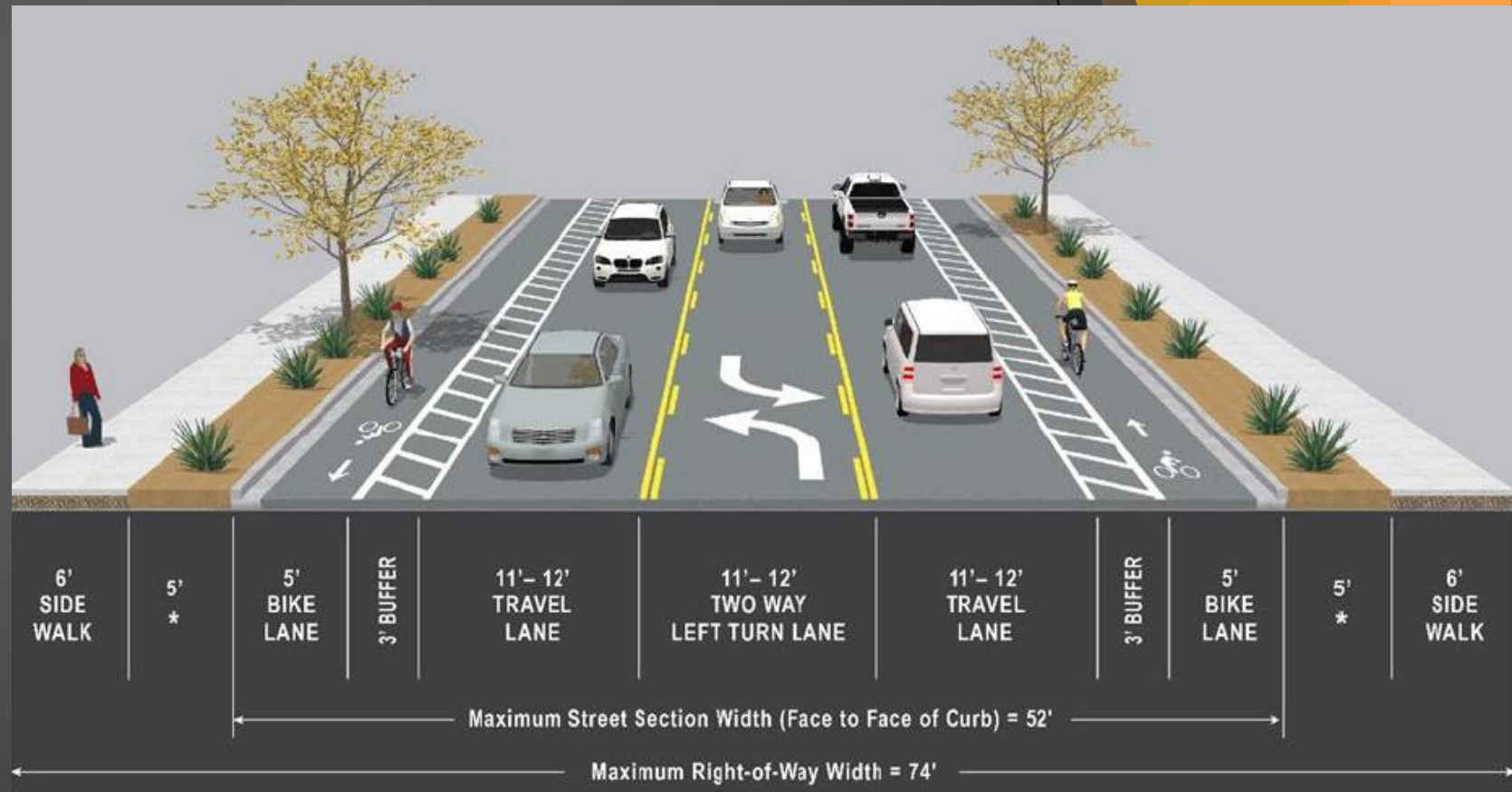


# Public Transportation Enhancements

- ▶ MCOACS Fixed-route Service Redesign
  - Increased Frequency
  - Expanded Service Area
- ▶ Bus Route Proximity Factored Into:
  - Project Identification
  - Prioritization

# Street Sections Updates

- ▶ Best Practices for Walking/Biking
- ▶ Stormwater Drainage
- ▶ Other Modernization Updates



# Code Amendments Implementing Ordinances

# Plan and Code Amendments

## *Objectives*

- ▶ Reference new planning documents and street standards
- ▶ Increase opportunities for mixed use development
- ▶ Enhance pedestrian and bicycle connectivity and experience
- ▶ Improve landscaping requirements
- ▶ Reduce land and cost associated with parking

# Plan and Code Amendments

## *Pedestrian Connectivity*

- ▶ Provide connections to sidewalks, pathways
- ▶ Provide pathways within large parking areas and for large format uses
- ▶ Orient new large format uses to streets and intersections

# Plan and Code Amendments

## *Enhanced Landscaping Requirements*

- ▶ Applies to new commercial, multi-family uses
- ▶ Require drought-tolerant plants
- ▶ Provide flexibility on non-plant materials
- ▶ Enhance parking lot landscaping
- ▶ Use mix of plant species
- ▶ Improve pedestrian environment

# Plan and Code Amendments

## *Off-Street Parking – reductions for:*

- ▶ Restaurants and taverns (simpler standards)
- ▶ Retail stores and shops
- ▶ Funeral homes
- ▶ Bowling alleys
- ▶ Other commercial services



# Next Steps

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- ▶ Draft Plan Document – Late January
- ▶ Updated Code Amendments – Late January
- ▶ TAC Meeting #4 – February
- ▶ Adoption Hearings - March