



## US ROUTE 40

Formosa Road to IL Route 162

PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING STUDY

### Community Context Audit Form – Summary

**Question 1:** Are there any community activity centers or gathering places, seasonal events or celebrations that need to be considered by proposed improvements to US Route 40 from Formosa Road to IL Route 162?

**Responses:**

- Sporting & other events at the high school and middle school
- Farmers Market
- 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks
- Troy Homecoming

**Question 2:** Are there any open spaces, bicycle trails (other than Silver Creek Trail), or greenways in the study area?

**Responses:**

- MCT Trail system
- Troy Township Park
- Farm fields
- Along Troy-O'Fallon Road
- Several No or I don't know's

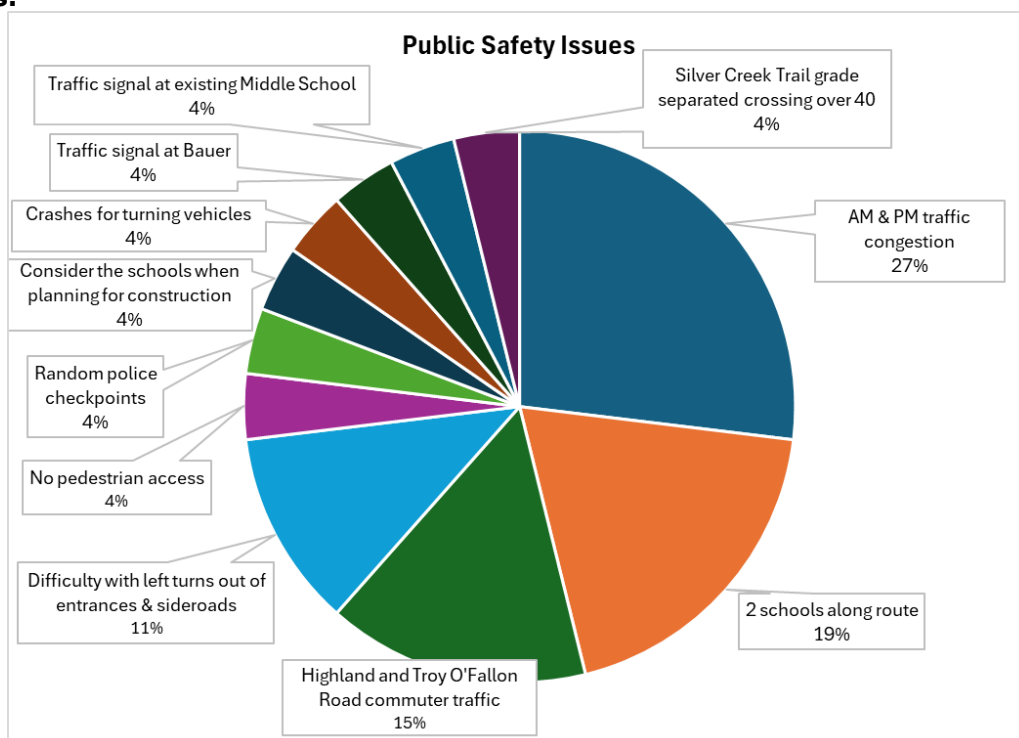
**Question 3:** Are there areas of historical significance (historic landmarks) or other unique or valuable features in your community along the US Route 40 corridor that should be considered during the study?

**Responses:**

- US 40 used to be a train corridor
- Mine shaft in ROW at Market Basket
- None

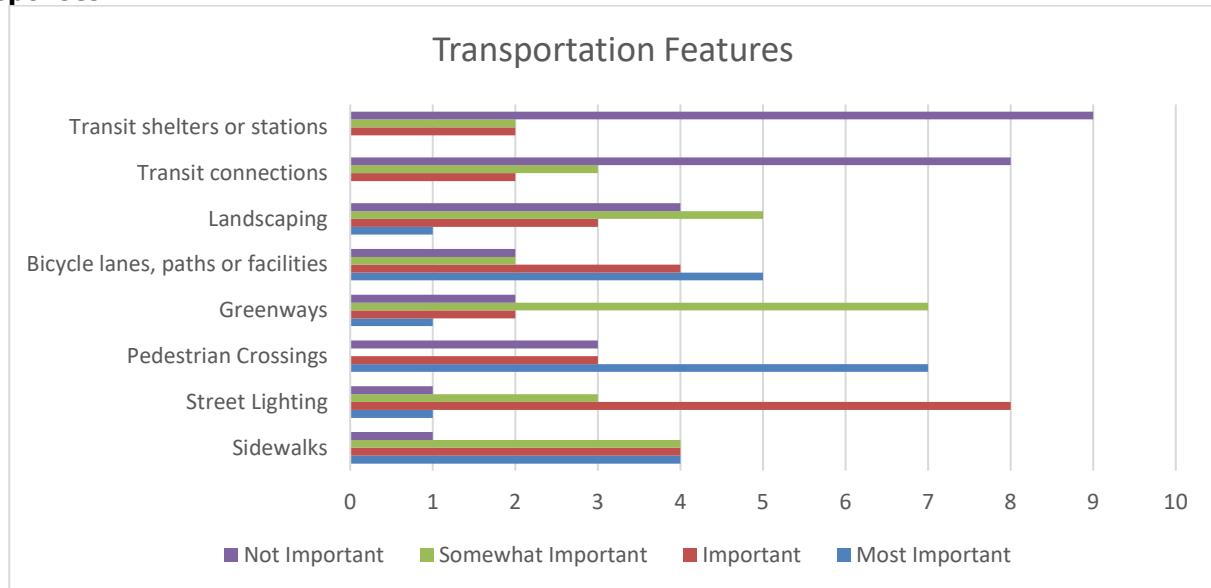
**Question 4:** Are there any public safety or traffic safety issues along the US Route 40 corridor in the project limits (recurring traffic congestion, delay, need for traffic or pedestrian signals)?

**Responses:**



**Question 5:** Please review the transportation-related features below and check (✓) their importance to you.

**Responses:**



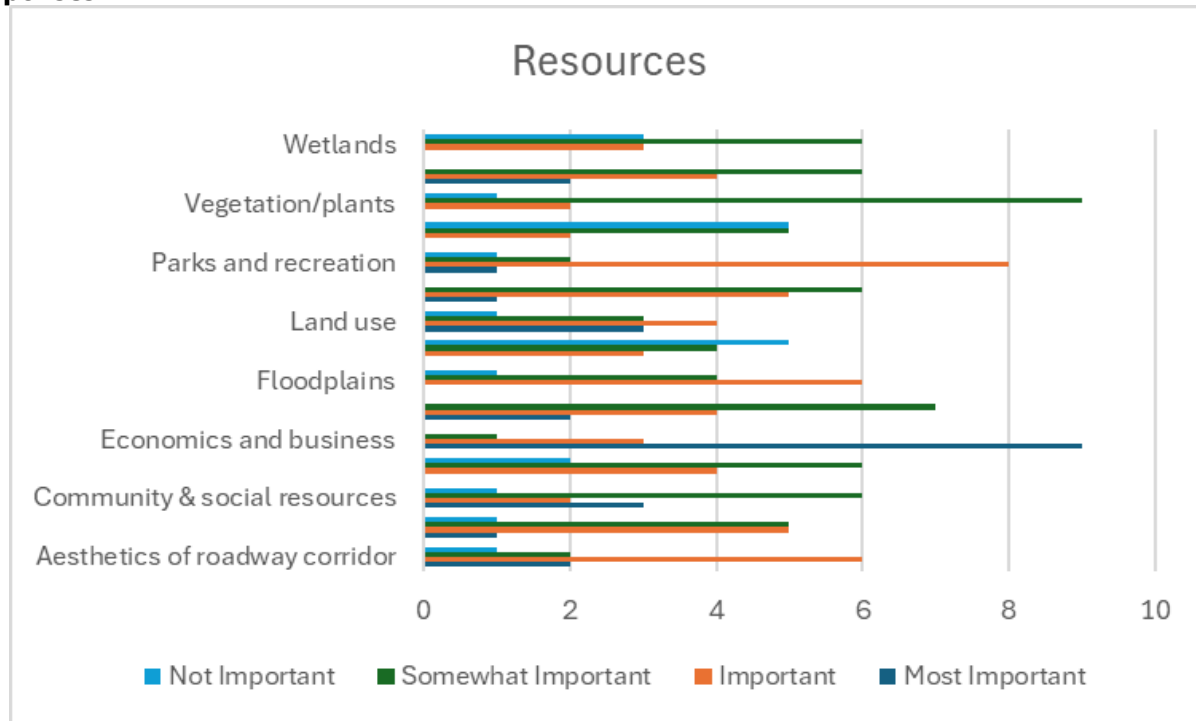
**Question 6:** Please indicate the transportation-related issues you have experienced along US Route 40 from Formosa Road to IL Route 162 in the study area

**Responses:**

Transportation Issue	Location	Comment
<b>Traffic Noise</b>	corridor is loud Main Street to Spring Valley	common noise not noticed
<b>Traffic congestion/backups</b>	Formosa Rd to Troy O'Fallon Rd At signals, schools and 162/40 intersection I-55/70 to Spring Valley to Main US 40 and Bethany US 40 and Spring Valley	AM & PM due to commuter traffic difficult to make left turns out of entrances especially during AM commute during school year
<b>Access issues</b>	CA Henning and THS backups 162/40 intersection at unsignalized intersections US 40 at Bauer Road	left turns onto 40 no traffic signals light pole obstructs view
<b>Traffic crashes</b>	CA Henning and THS US 40 intersections with Troy O'Fallon, Gawain & Americana US 40 and Bauer Rd US 40 and IL 162 All traffic signals US 40 and Americana	traffic lights are needed especially during AM commute Failure to yield crashes Bauer will only get worse, fatality
<b>Inconsistent travel times</b>	entire corridor Bethany and 40	school days and rush hour Westbound backup @ school at 7:15 am due to left turns
<b>Inadequate sight distance</b>	162/40 intersection Sun is an issue in the AM	
<b>Roadway Safety</b>	narrow roads from CA Henning to IL 162 162/40 intersection Entire segment Bauer and Route 40	poor lighting going east going too fast Seems this stretch of road has a high crash rate Hard to make left turn at times
<b>Poor roadway conditions</b>	narrow roads from CA Henning to IL 162	
<b>Drainage</b>	Formosa Rd to Spring Valley US 40 between Springvalley Rd and Alarth Dr, swampy- poor drainage from north to south	poor drainage standing water/undersized culvert
<b>Other</b>	entire route school pick up and drop off delays @ schools	lack of paved shoulder back ups frequently on highway

**Question 7:** Please review the resources features below and check (✓) their importance to you.

**Responses:**



**Question 8:** Please provide any additional comments about the study and its unique community features.

**Responses:**

- Expansion of US 40 is needed due to growth in Troy and surrounding areas. Corridor is popular due to the schools, and connections to I-55, Highland, and Scott Air Force Base.
- Need connection of Silver Creek Trail to Bethany Drive and along Bethany Drive. If path extends further east, need connection to IL Route 162. There are too many people using the earth shoulders near the high school.
- Need to plan for the potential growth as a commercial/residential corridor.
- Triad School District still planning on where new middle school might go.
- What are IDOT's plans for US Route 40 and Bauer Road?
- Please support extension of Silver Creek Trail and include trail in widening work.
- Help find safe crossing for trail to St. Jacob.
- Help find a responsible way for trail to cross the Silver Creek wetlands.
- Please include a safe intersection at Bauer Road.
- Please embrace commercial development along US Route 40 in City as part of the City's land use plan.
- Please plan for the extension of SRA Bradley R. Smith Drive to US Route 40.
- Extension of Silver Creek Trail is a major improvement that provides future access to St. Jacob and Highland and opens important corridors in Troy and should be highly valued in this process.
- Consideration should be given for a future extension of SRA Bradley R. Smith Drive to US Route 40 and Alarth Drive.