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Illinois 177 in Mascoutah Study

Welcome to the Public Meeting

March 18, 2026
Mascoutah High School Gymnasium





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WELCOME

Illinois 177 in Mascoutah Study

County Road to Mine Road

OPEN FORUM PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Goals of today's meeting

- Share the purpose of the project
- Provide an overview of identified issues/needs and steps going forward
- Solicit comments/concerns on transportation issues in the study area from the public
- Get input on possible proposed bike and pedestrian accommodation alternatives A, B, C, and D



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WHY IS THIS PROJECT NEEDED

The focus of the project is pavement replacement.

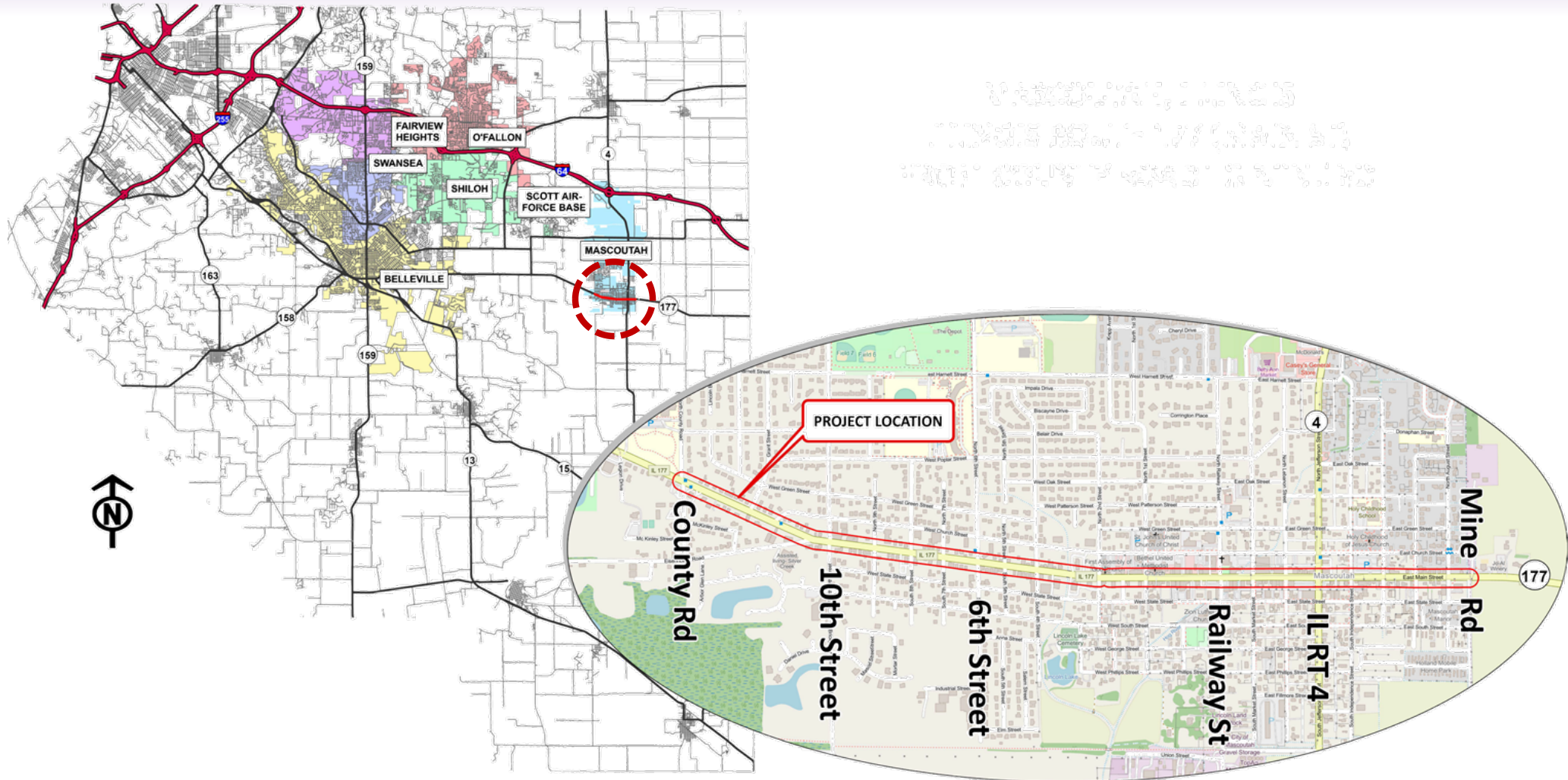
- Assessment of the existing pavement ratings have warranted replacement as portions of it are over 100 years old.
- Concrete cores were taken on Illinois 177 that place it in the reconstruction category.
- Certain intersections cannot accommodate larger turning vehicles.





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PROJECT LOCATION MAP

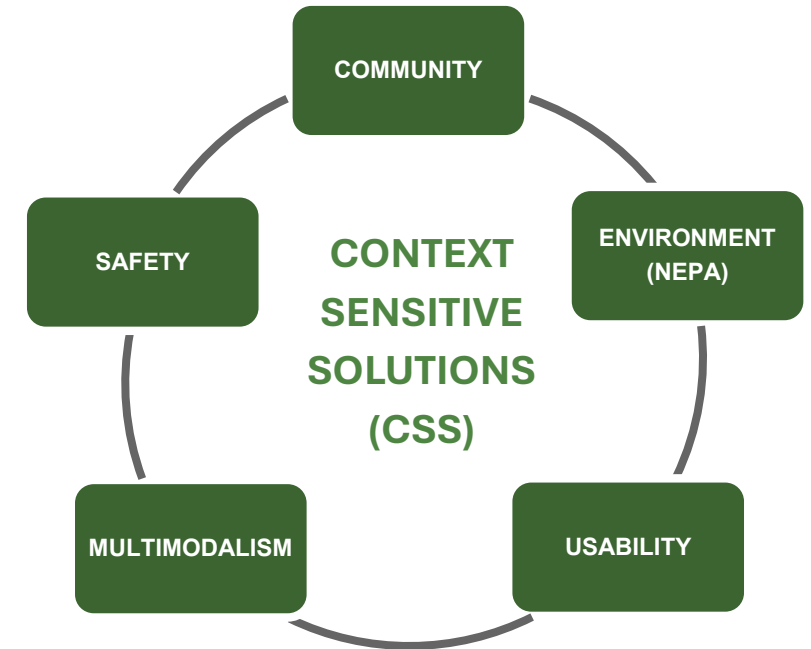




WHAT IS IDOT'S

An approach that seeks to:

- Involve stakeholders early and continuously
- Include frequent and meaningful communication
- Develop, build, and maintain cost-effective transportation facilities
- Balance mobility, community needs and the environment while focusing on safety
- Emphasize developing and building projects that reflect their surroundings or “context”
- Preserve and enhance community features



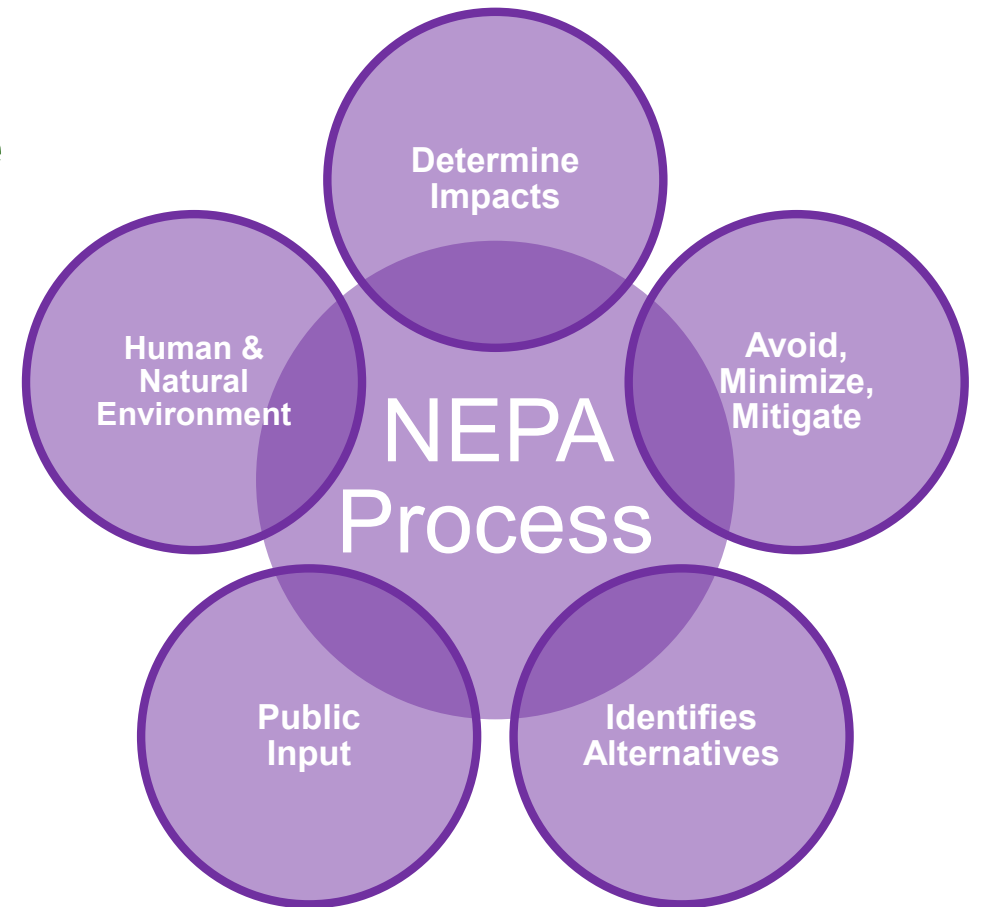
This study is using CSS for the public involvement.



WHAT IS NEPA?

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires agencies to consider impacts to the human and natural environments by:

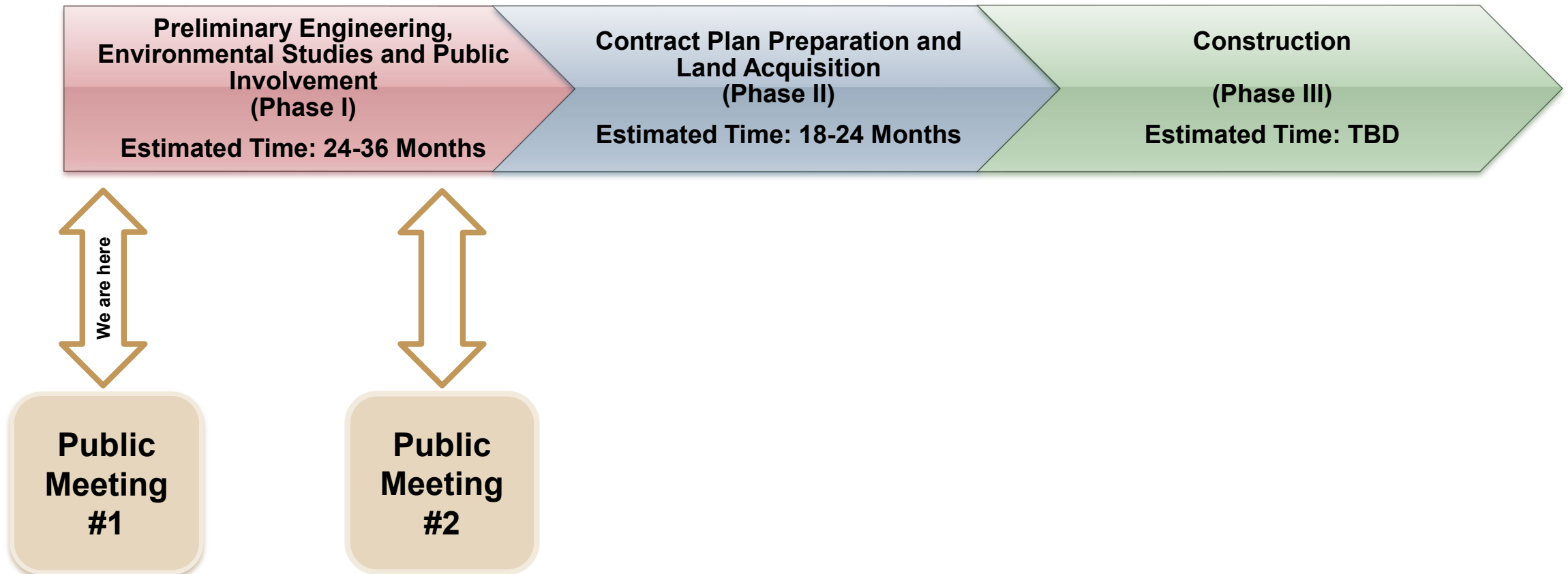
- Reviewing social, economic, & environmental characteristics
- Incorporating public input
- Identifying a range of alternatives
- Determining impacts to the environment
- Documenting how impacts are being avoided, minimized, and mitigated





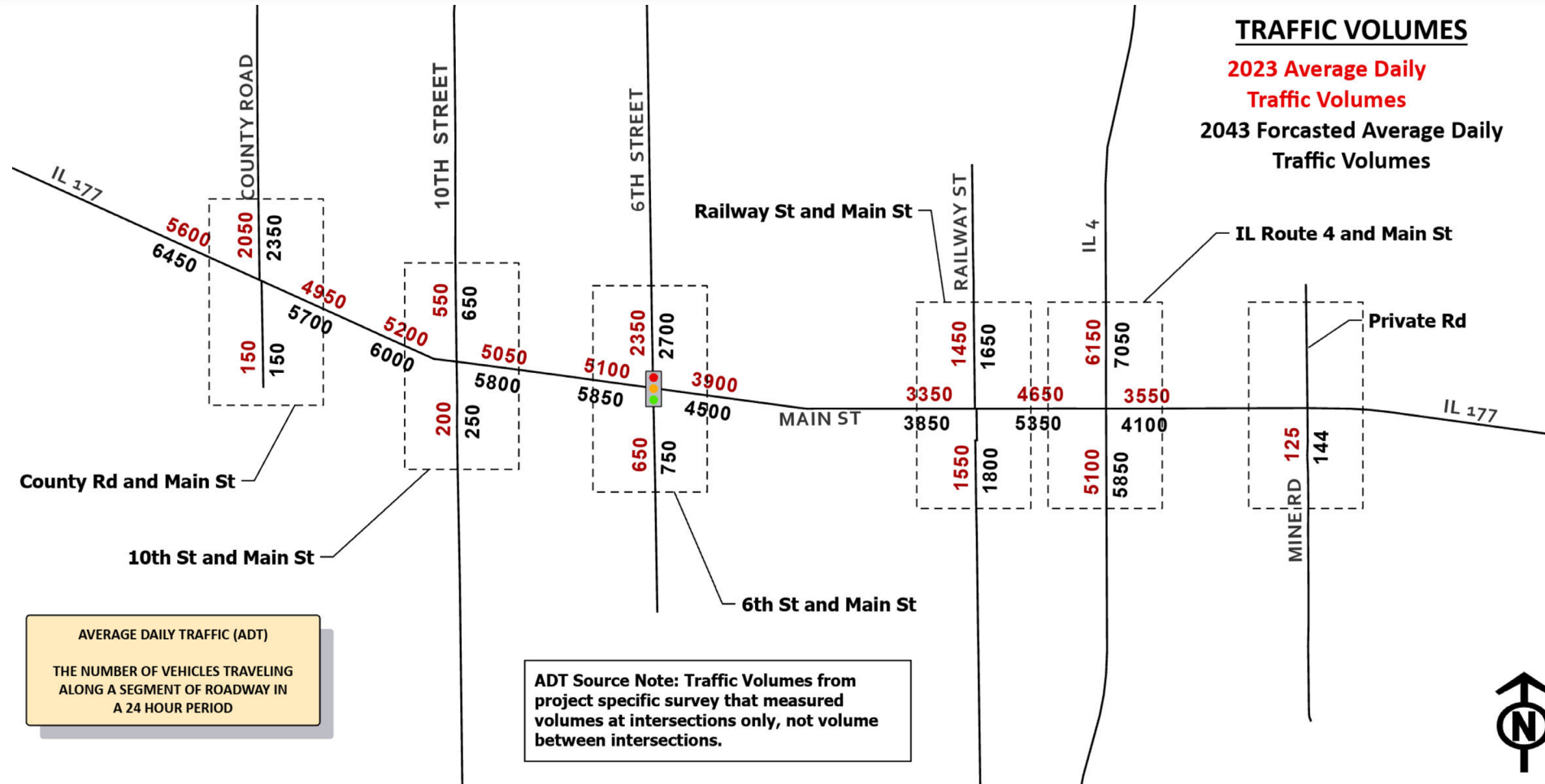
PROJECT TIMELINE

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT





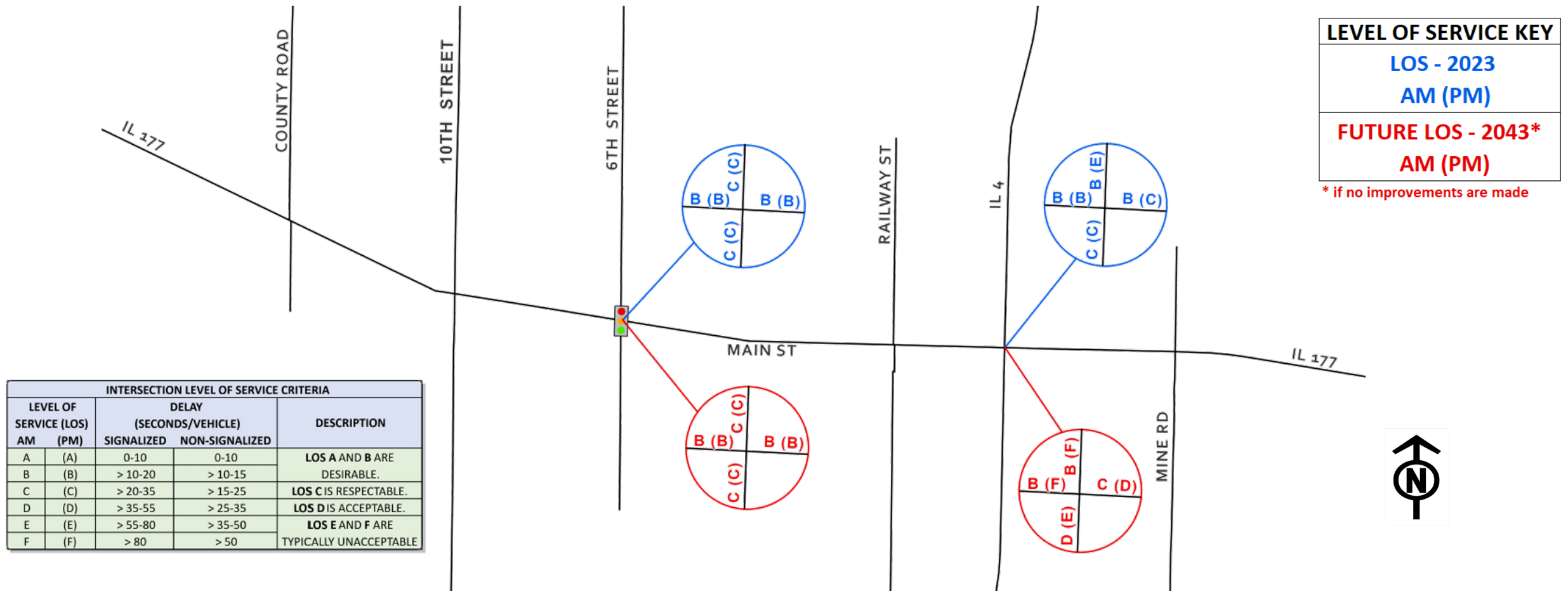
AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC





LEVEL OF SERVICE (LOS)

Level of Service (LOS) is a qualitative, letter-based metric (A – F), evaluating speed, travel time, and congestion, from a driver's perspective.

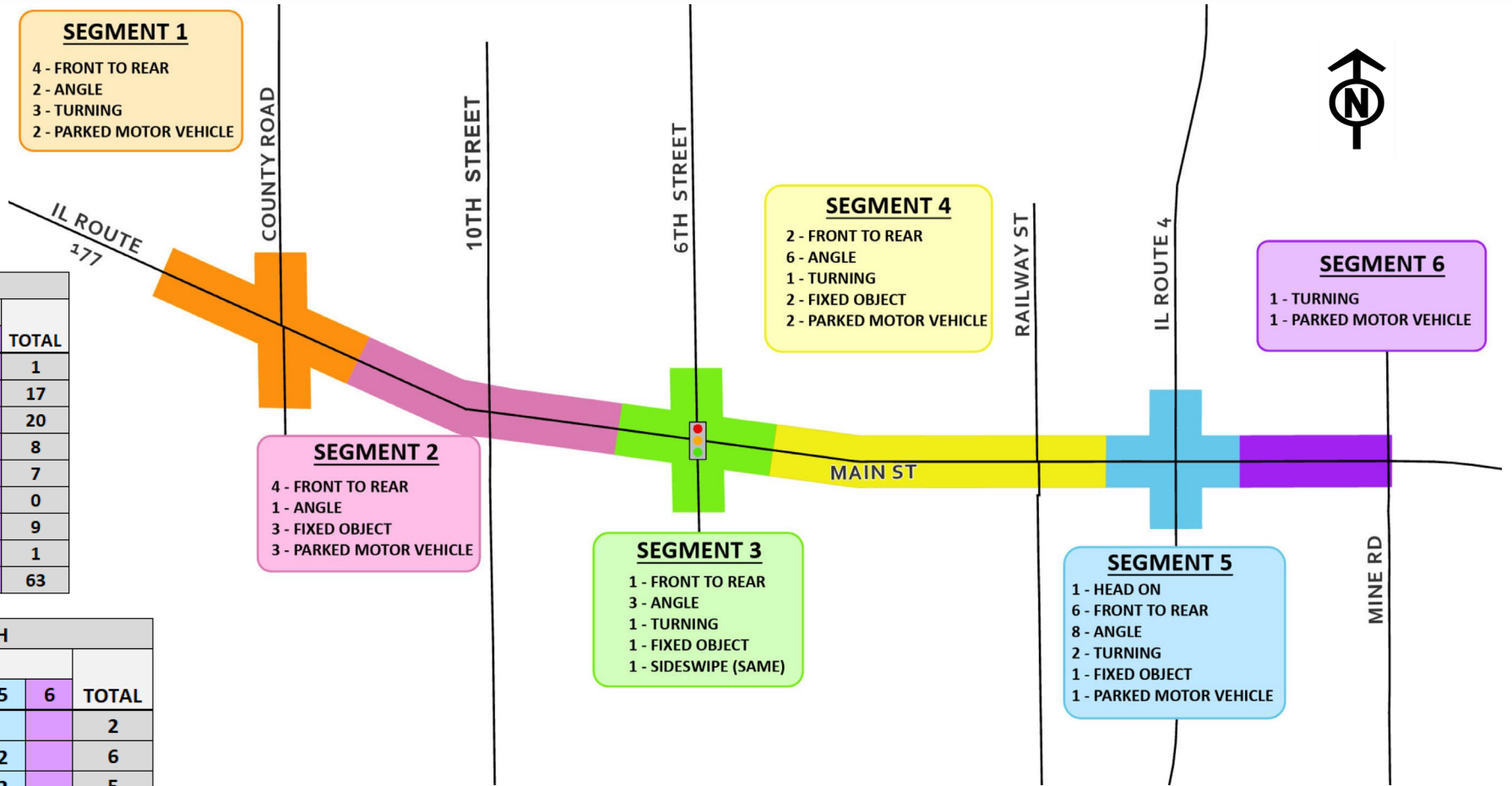




CRASH LOCATION MAP (2019 – 2023)

TYPES OF CRASHES							
CRASH TYPE	SEGMENT						TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
HEAD ON					1		1
FRONT TO REAR	4	4	1	2	6		17
ANGLE	2	1	3	6	8		20
TURNING	3		1	1	2	1	8
FIXED OBJECT		3	1	2	1		7
OTHER OBJECT							0
PARKED MOTOR VEHICLE	2	3		2	1	1	9
SIDESWIPE (SAME)			1				1
TOTAL	11	11	7	13	19	2	63

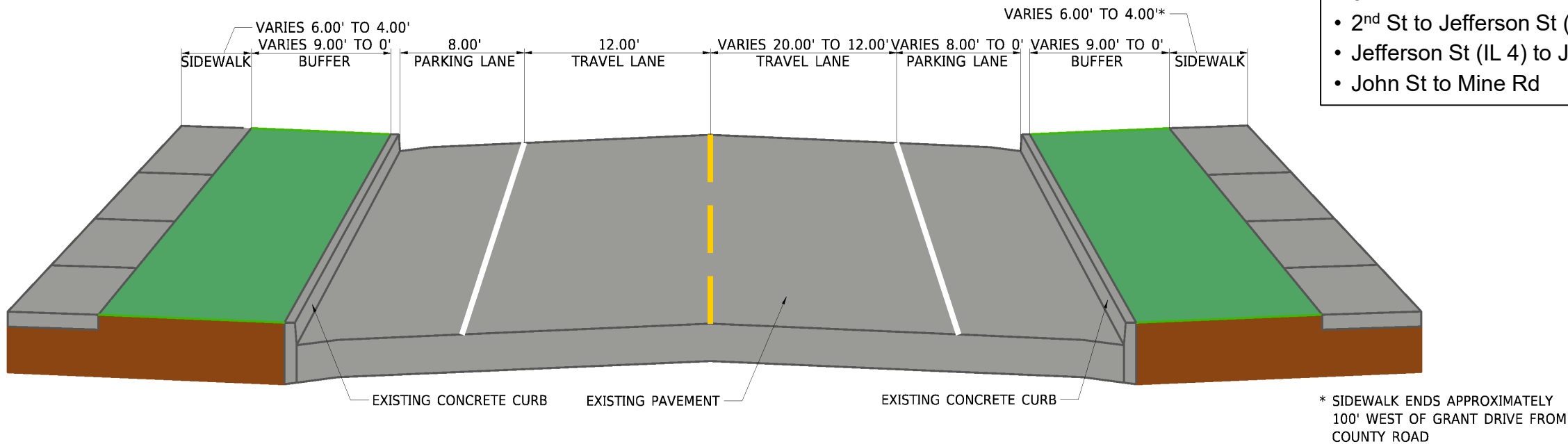
INJURY CLASSIFICATION PER CRASH							
INJURY TYPE	SEGMENT						TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
Incapacitating (A)				2			2
Non-Incapacitating (B)	2	2			2		6
Reported/Not Evident (C)		1		2	2		5
No Indication of Injury (O)	9	8	7	9	15	2	50
TOTAL	11	11	7	13	19	2	63





EXISTING TYPICAL SECTION

- County Rd to Grant Drive
- West Church St to Eisenhower Rd
- Eisenhower Rd to 10th St
- 10th St to 7th St
- 5th St to 2nd St
- 2nd St to Jefferson St (IL 4)
- Jefferson St (IL 4) to John St
- John St to Mine Rd



How important is existing parking in Mascoutah to you?

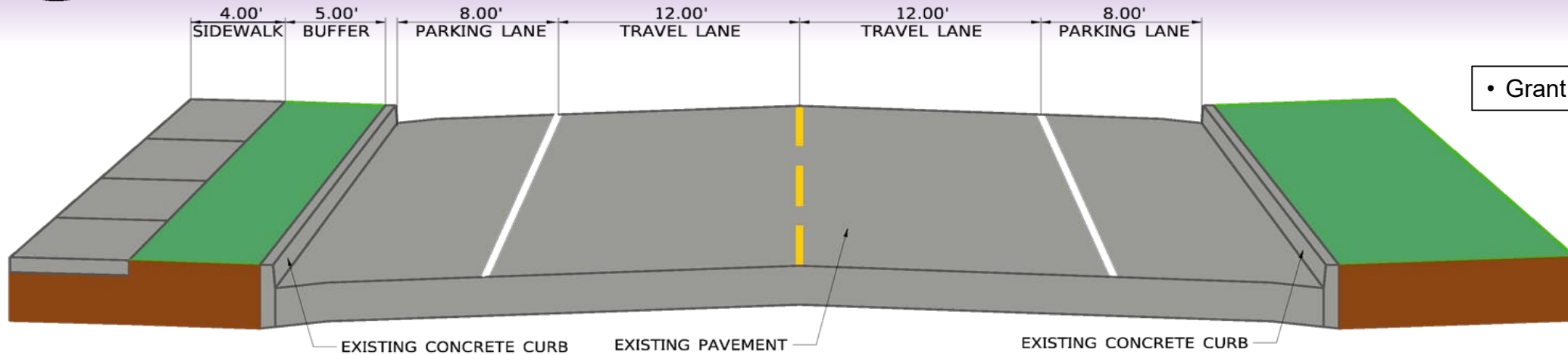
Are there specific locations where parking is more important than others?

Let us know on your comment form.

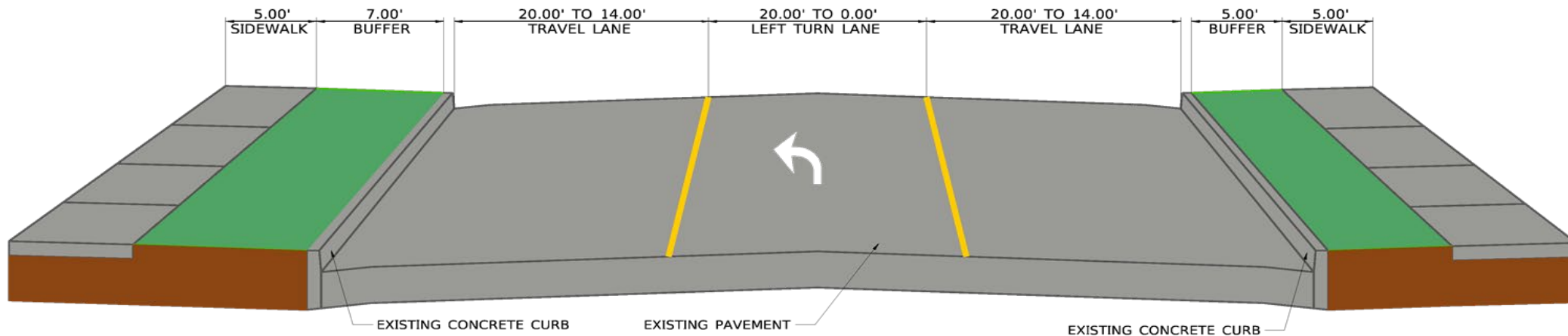


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EXISTING TYPICAL SECTION



• Grant Dr. to West Church St.



• 7th St. to 5th St.

How important are bike and pedestrian accommodations along IL 177 in Mascoutah?

Are there specific locations where parking is more important than others?

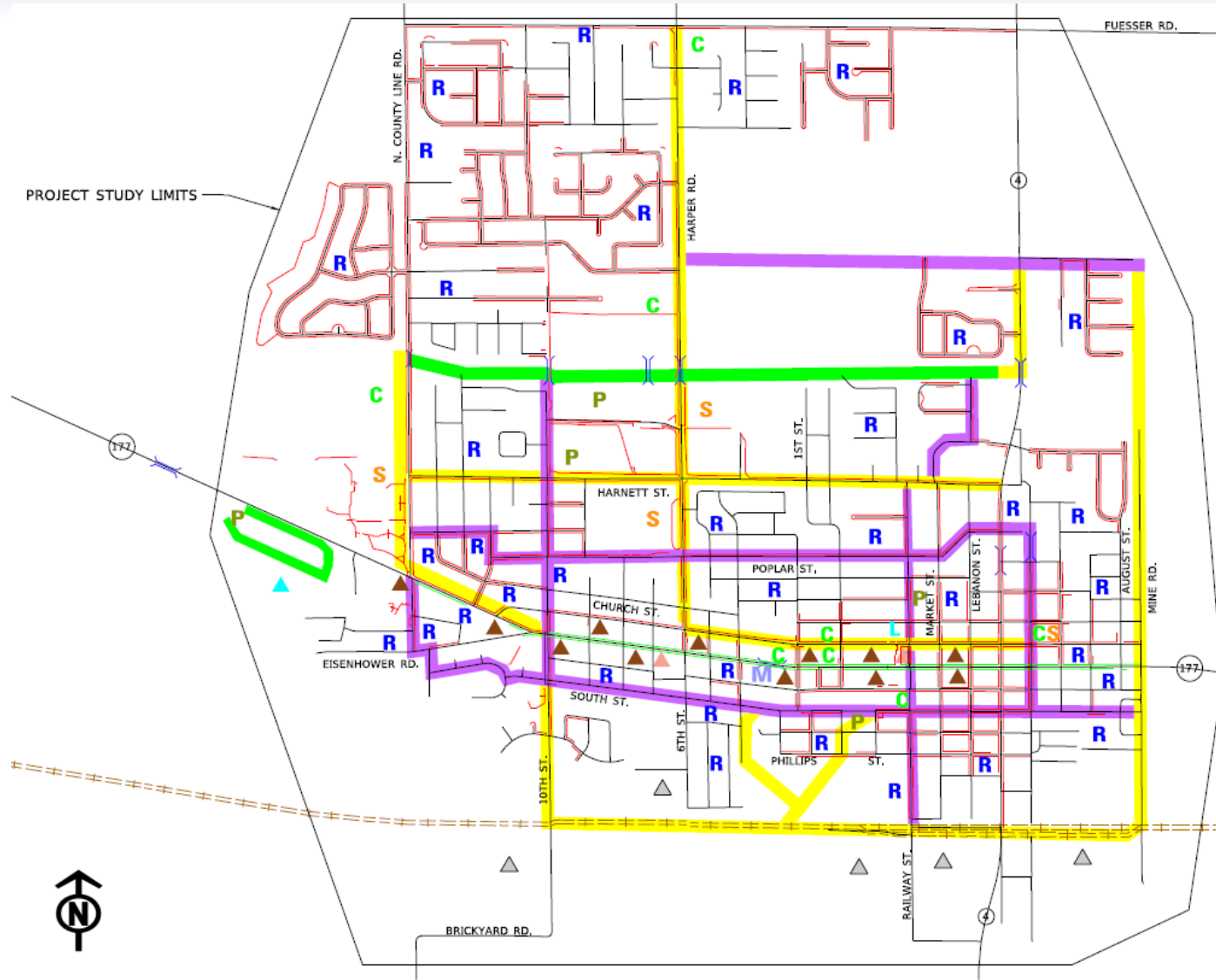
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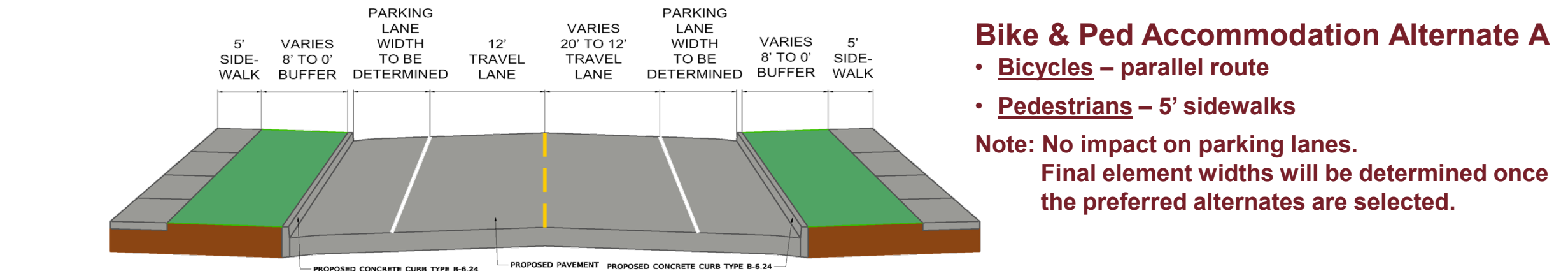
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CITY OF MASCOUTAH BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN NETWORK

LEGEND	
	ABANDONED RAIL CORRIDOR (MEPRD)
	PUBLIC LIBRARY
	EXISTING BRIDGE
	CHURCHES
	SCHOOL
	*EXISTING BIKE TRAIL
	PARKS
	MUSEUM
	RESIDENTIAL AREAS
	RECREATION AREAS
	GOVERNMENT OFFICES
	LOCAL BUSINESSES
	INDUSTRIAL PLANTS
	EXISTING SIDEWALK
	*MASCOUTAH PLANNED FUTURE BIKE BOULEVARD
	*MASCOUTAH PLANNED FUTURE SHARED USE PATH
	IDOT FUTURE PLANNED IL 177 BIKE AND PED ACCOMMODATIONS AS-NEEDED



*AS SHOWN IN MASCOUTAH
GREAT STREETS PLANNING
REPORT, DECEMBER 2020



- Bicycles – parallel route
- Pedestrians – 5' sidewalks

Note: No impact on parking lanes.
Final element widths will be determined once the preferred alternates are selected.

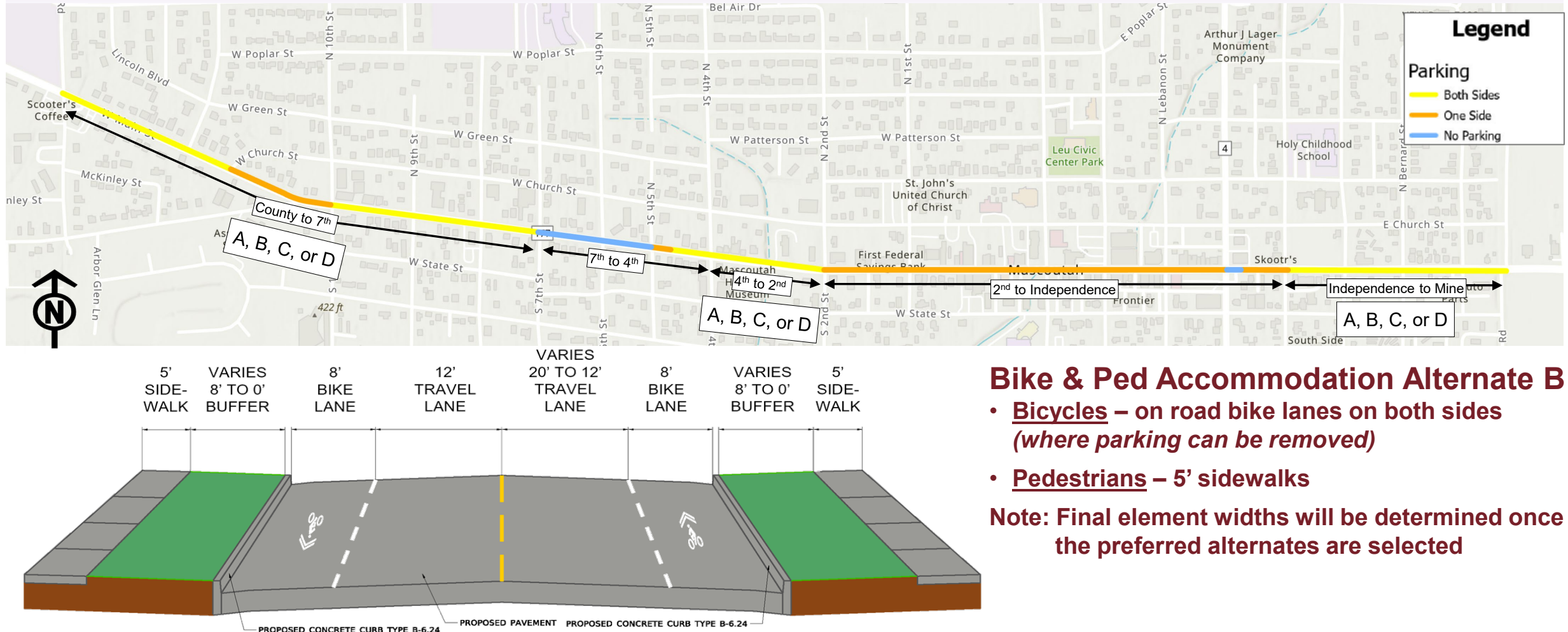
What are your thoughts on Alt A where bike use parallel routes and pedestrians are accommodated with 5 ft. sidewalks?
Let us know on your comment form.



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ALTERNATE TYPICAL SECTION

B



Bike & Ped Accommodation Alternate B

- Bicycles** – on road bike lanes on both sides (where parking can be removed)
- Pedestrians** – 5' sidewalks

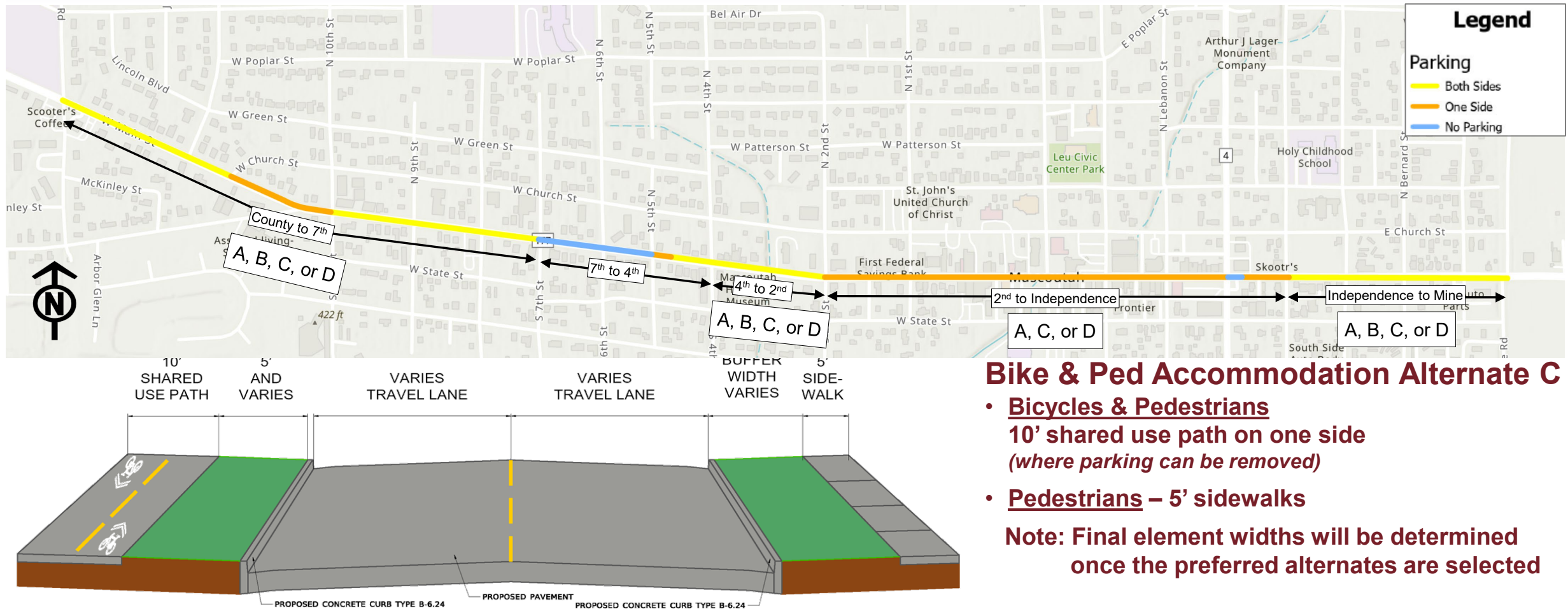
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What are your thoughts on Alt B where bikes ride within on-road bike lanes (where parking can be removed) and pedestrians are accommodated with 5 ft. sidewalks? Let us know on your comment form.



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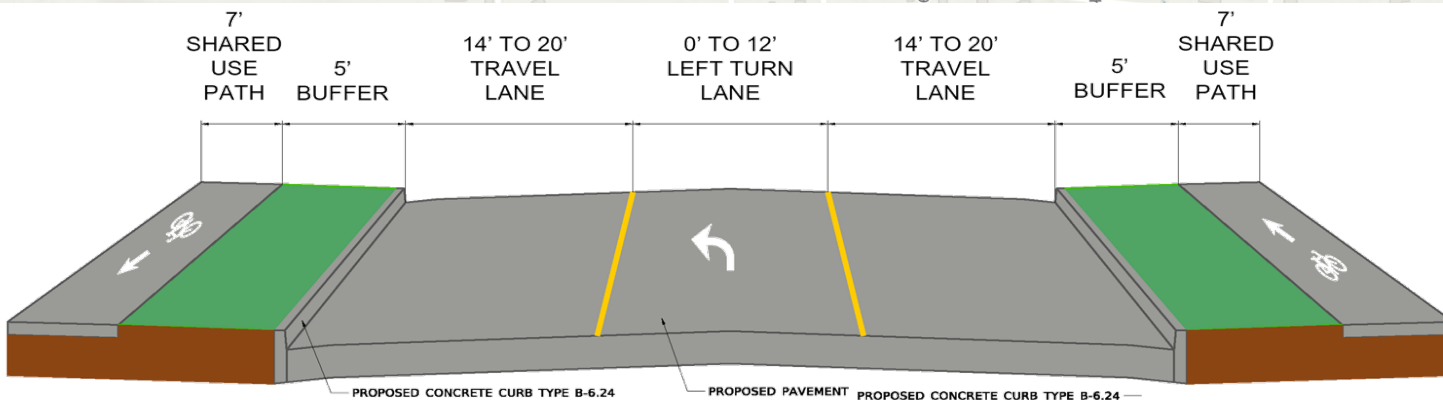
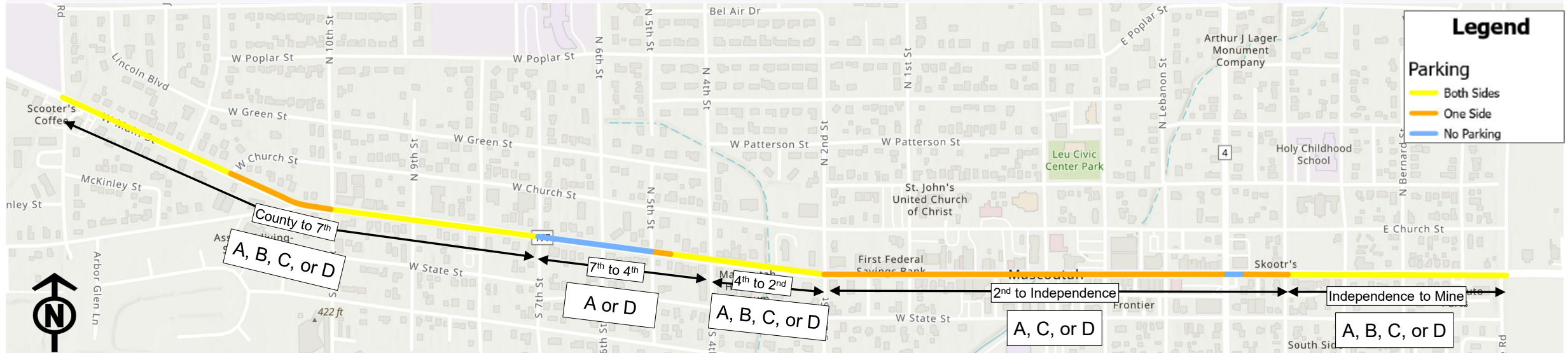
What are your thoughts on Alt C where bikes and pedestrians are accommodated with a 10 ft. shared use path (where parking can be removed)? Let us know on your comment form.



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ALTERNATE TYPICAL SECTION

D



Bike & Ped Accommodation Alternate D

- Bicycles & Pedestrians**
7' one-way path on both sides
(buffer design exceptions may be needed, but parking lanes can remain)

Note: Final element widths will be determined once the preferred alternates are selected

What are your thoughts on Alt D where bikes and pedestrians are accommodated on both sides of IL 177 with 7 ft. one-directional paths? Let us know on your comment form.



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LEAVE A COMMENT AND PROVIDE YOUR INPUT

What concerns do you have about driving in the Study Area?

Please share your thoughts about how the **Illinois Route 177 in Mascoutah Study** might affect the area, your driving experience, or pass along any concerns you have.

Suggested items to consider and share with us:

- What are your thoughts on Bike/Ped Options A, B, C, and D?
- How important are the parking lanes in Mascoutah?
- Why do you travel in the study area?
- What routes do you avoid or prefer and why?
- What transportation problems would you like to see addressed?
- What problems do you encounter when driving, biking or walking in the area?
- Please share your experience with the following:
 - Safety issues/accidents
 - Pedestrian (crosswalks, sidewalks)
 - Multi-modal connectivity (bus, bike, other)

Please fill out a comment form
or send an email to:

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Or visit the project website and
leave a comment.

Comments due by 4/1/2026



Phase I Project Development

- The project will be moving forward on three fronts; engineering, environmental, and public involvement
 - The project team will be refining the Phase I design
 - Environmental Studies
 - Public Meeting to display and get public input on the preliminary Phase I design



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THANK YOU

Thank you all for coming to join our public meeting and providing your feedback.

Please stop by the COMMENTS table.

We look forward to your ongoing collaboration with our study team!