

Bourne, Plymouth, Sandwich, Wareham.

**Massachusetts Maritime Academy** 

September 28, 2016 4:00 to 6:00

### Agenda.

- Welcome and Introductions.
- Study Process & Framework.
- Study Framework: Goals and Objectives.
- Alternatives Development.
  - Potential Short-, Mid-, and Long-Term.
- Schedule/Next Steps.



### Welcome and Introductions.

- MassDOT:
  - Ethan Britland Project Manager.
- US Army Corps of Engineers.
  - · Craig Martin, Project Manager.
- Study Team:
  - Bill Reed, P.E., Principal in Charge (Stantec).
  - Mike Paiewonsky, AICP- Team Project Manager (Stantec).
  - Fred Moseley, P.E. –Transportation Engineer (Stantec).
  - Sudhir Murthy, P.E., PTOE –Trans. Modeler (TrafInfo).
  - Frank Mahady Socio-Economic (FXM Associates).
  - Alison Leflore, AICP Public Involvement (Cecil Group).



## Study Process & Framework.

- Step 1: Goals and Objectives, Evaluation
   Criteria, and Public Involvement Plan.
- Step 2: Existing Conditions, Future
   Conditions, and Issues Evaluation.
- Step 3: Alternatives Development.
- Step 4: Alternatives Analysis.
- Step 5: Recommendations.



## Study Framework: Goals.

- To create/improve multimodal mobility in the Cape Cod Canal area.
- To establish an alternative or replacement crossing of the Cape Cod Canal to address the diminishing quality and reliability of year-round connectivity over the Cape Cod Canal, due to the aging Sagamore and Bourne Bridges.

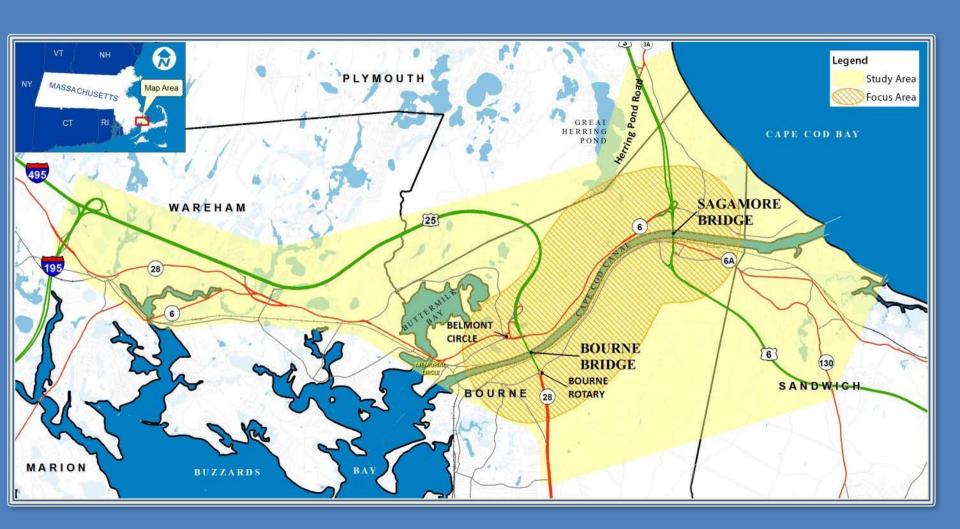


# Study Framework: Objectives.

- Create reliable multimodal connectivity and mobility levels such that the quality of life on Cape Cod is not diminished by unreliable connectivity across the Cape Cod Canal.
- Create a reliable multimodal connection across the Cape Cod Canal to maintain/enhance public safety in the event of the need for an emergency evacuation of portions of Cape Cod and to accommodate first responders accessing Cape Cod.
- Ensure that cross canal connectivity does not become a barrier to reliable intra-community connectivity for the Towns of Bourne and Sandwich.



# Study Area.





### **Preliminary Alternatives Development.**



# Standard Approach to Preliminary Alternatives Development.

#### Seeking Alternatives that:

- 1. Satisfy Study Goals and Objectives from Task 1.
- 2. Based on Identified Issues, Constraints, and Opportunities from Task 2.
- 3. Minimize Property, Community, and Environmental Impact.



### Issues, Constraints, Opportunities.

#### Issues:

- Severe congestion at bridge approaches and intersections.
- Balancing visitor and resident needs.
- Lack of bicycles and pedestrian accommodation.

#### Constraints:

- Extensive areas of sensitive environmental resources.
- Developed residential and commercial areas.
- Joint Base Cape Cod.

#### Opportunities:

- MassDOT and Army Corps collaboration.
- Enhance multimodal accommodation.
- Additional infrastructure.



# Short-, Mid-, and Long-Term Alternatives.

- Roadways/Intersections.
- Bridges.
- Bicycles.
- Pedestrians.
- Transit.



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# Larger Planned Transportation Improvements (2017 – 2021 TIP).

- Sandwich Service Road Bike Path.
- Bourne Belmont Circle Multimodal Improvement.



Image from Cape Cod Commission TIP website



# Assumptions for Alternatives Development Process.

- Focus on year-round safety and mobility problem locations.
- Short- and Mid-Term Alternatives do not preclude new bridge construction.
- New bridges to be built adjacent to existing bridges. Toll-Free.

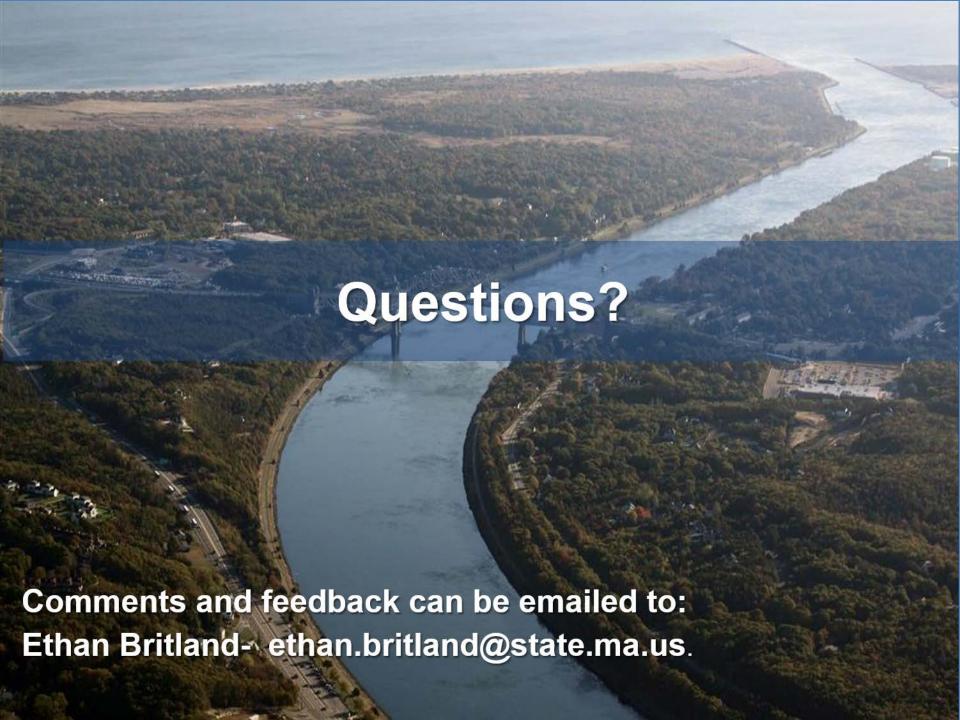




## Design Understanding.

- Design for future (2040) fall weekday
   PM peak period.
- Seek further improvements for summer peak period.
- Not trying to resolve all peak-season traffic problems. This would have significant impacts.





# **Short-Term Alternatives**

(1-3 Years)

Few environmental or property impacts.

### **Short-Term Intersection Improvements.**



- Signal Timing/ Adaptive Signals.
- Turning Lanes.
- Improved Stripping and Signage.
- Improved Bicycle and Pedestrian Accommodations.



# What is Adaptive Signal Control?

 Traffic signal control technology that has the ability to use real-time traffic information to adjust signal timing to reduce congestion and delay.

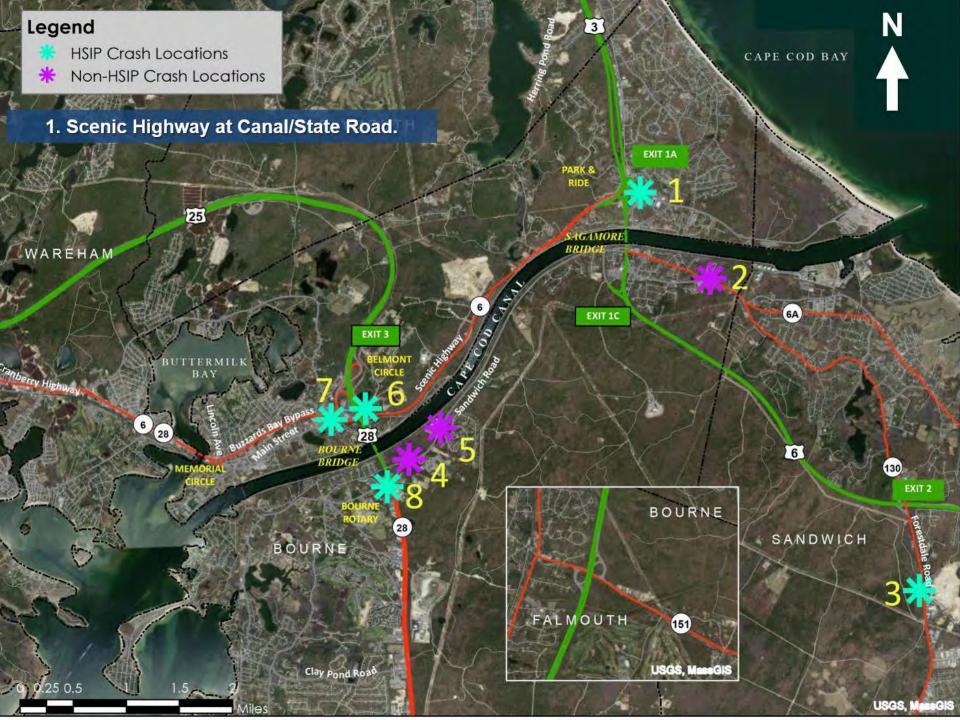


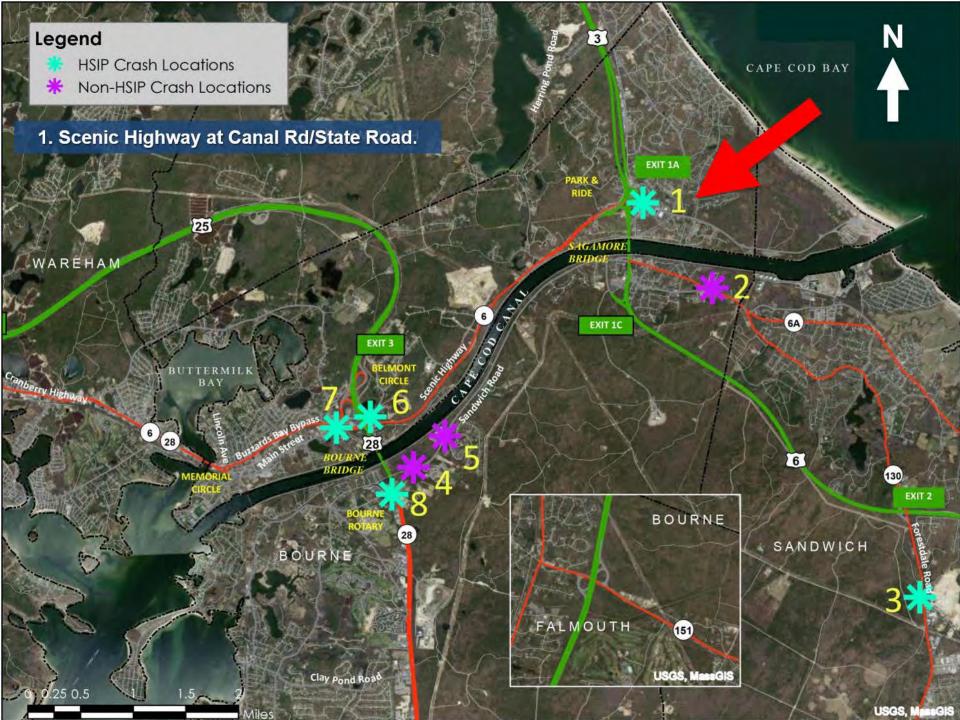


### 2014 Year-Round Problem Intersections.

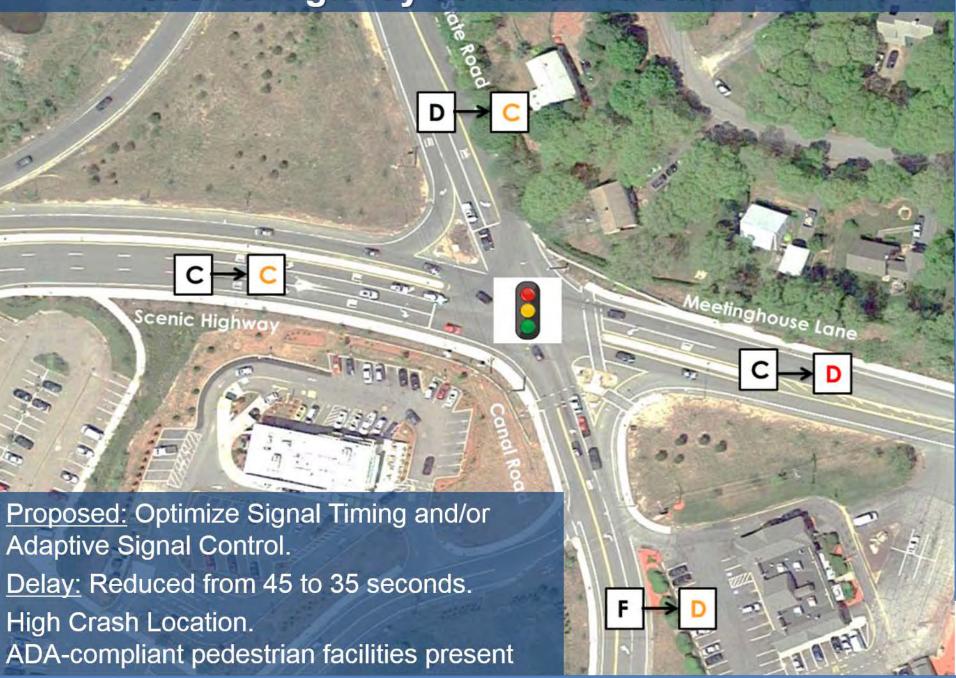
Location.	High Crash	LOS E or F	Town
<ol> <li>Scenic Hwy at Canal Road/State Road.</li> </ol>	Yes	No	Bourne
<ol> <li>Route 6A at Cranberry Hwy/Sandwich Road.</li> </ol>	No	Yes	Bourne
3. Route 130 at Cotuit Road.	Yes	Yes	Sandwich
4. Sandwich Road at Bourne Rotary Connector.	No	Yes	Bourne
5. Sandwich Road at Harbor Lights Road.	No	No	Bourne
6. Scenic Highway at Nightingale Pond Road.	Yes	Yes	Bourne
7. Belmont Circle.	Yes	Yes	Bourne
8. Bourne Rotary.	Yes	Yes	Bourne

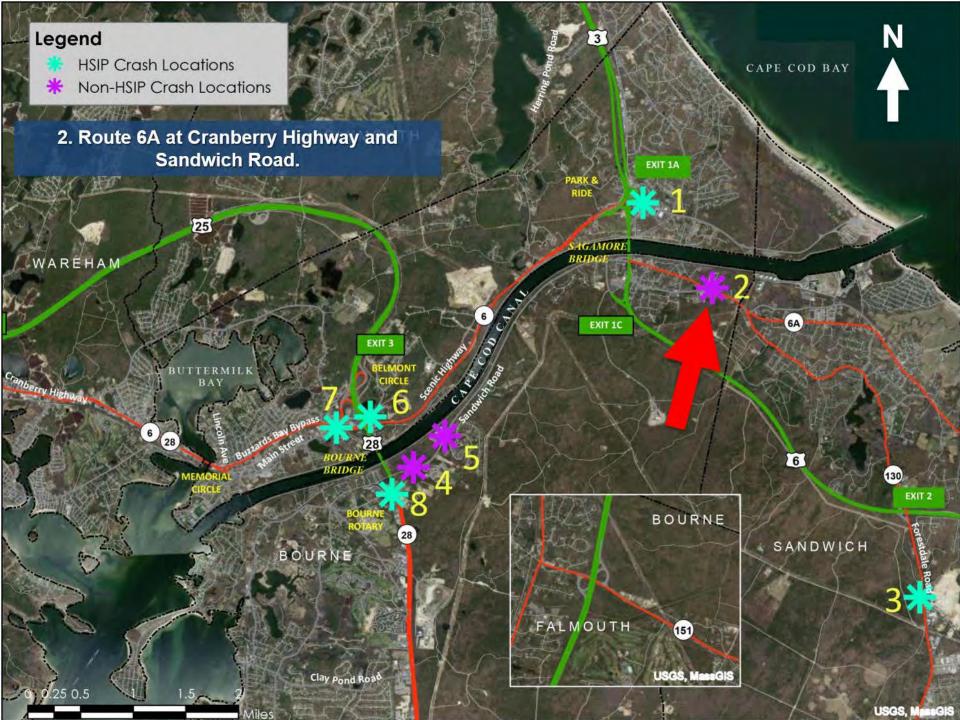


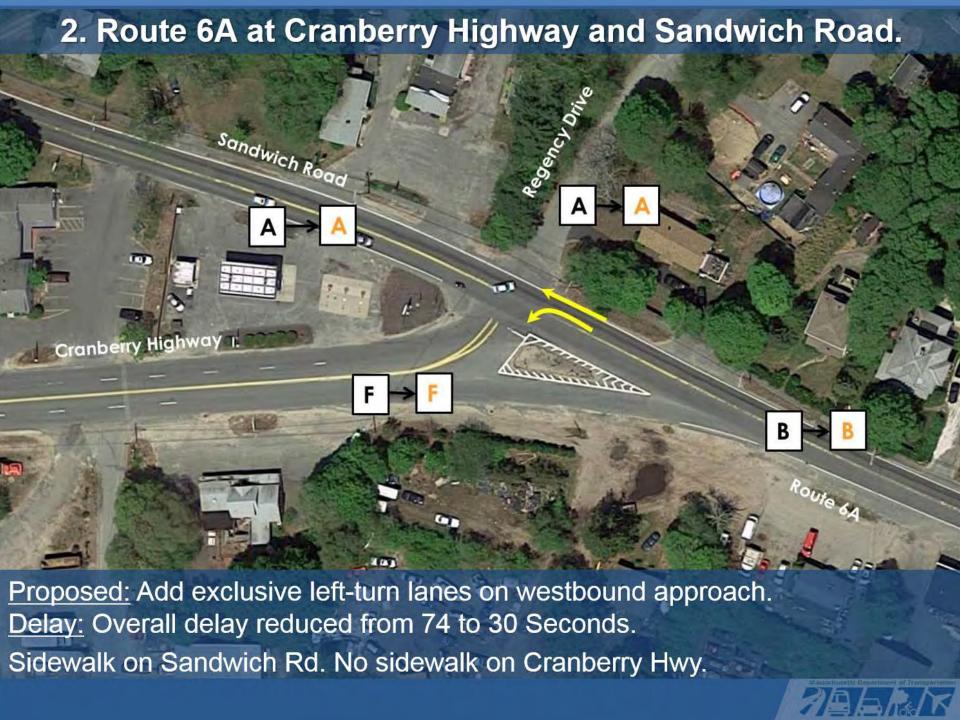


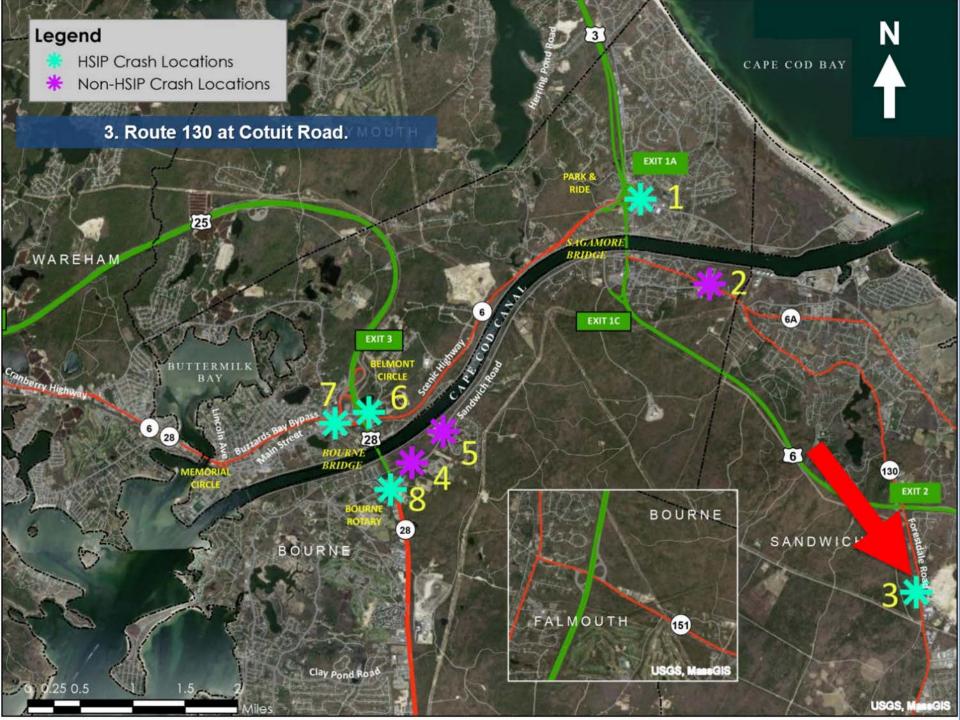


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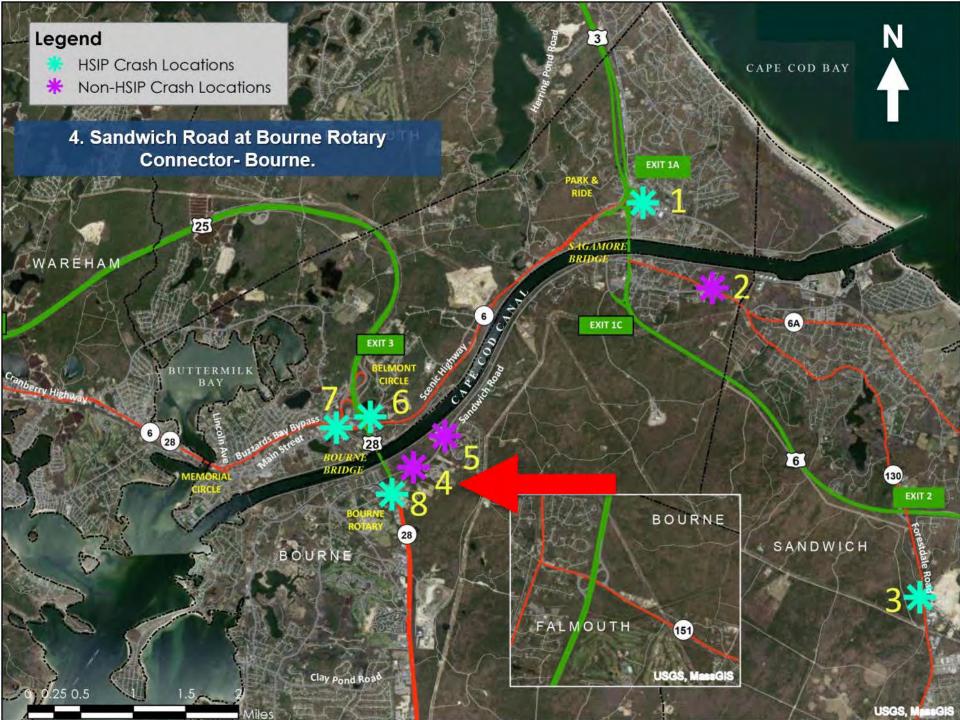












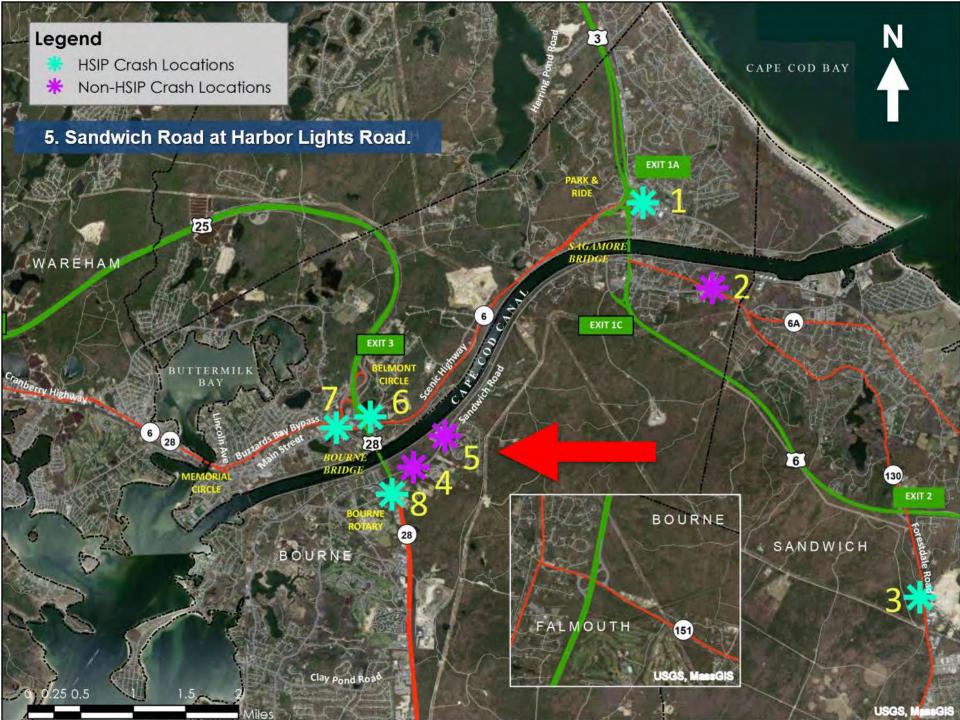
### 4. Sandwich Road at Bourne Rotary Connector – Bourne.



Proposed: Meets Signal Warrants but signalization not proposed at this time (may worsen queues).

Will be incorporated in Bourne Rotary Improvements.

No sidewalks present (High School nearby)



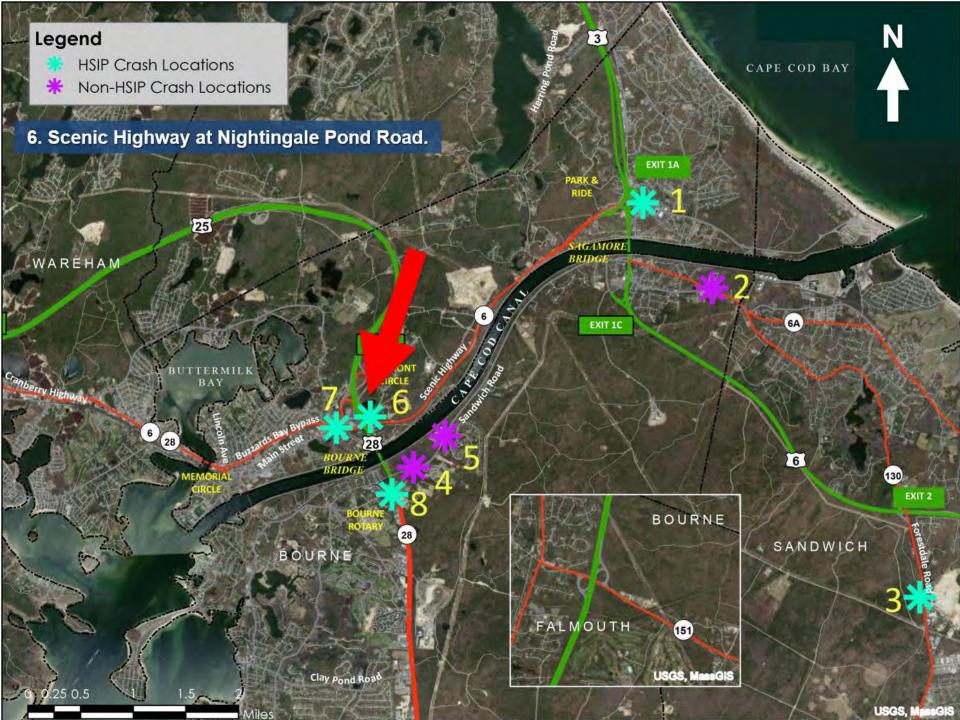
### 5. Sandwich Road at Harbor Lights Road.



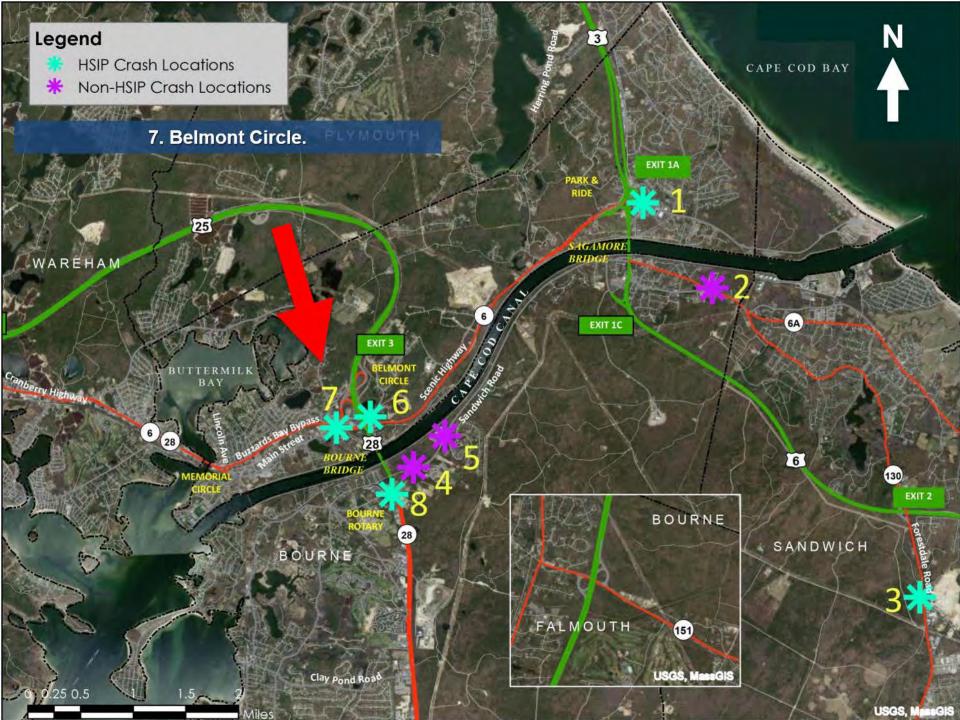
Proposed: No work proposed. Does Not Meet Signal Warrants.

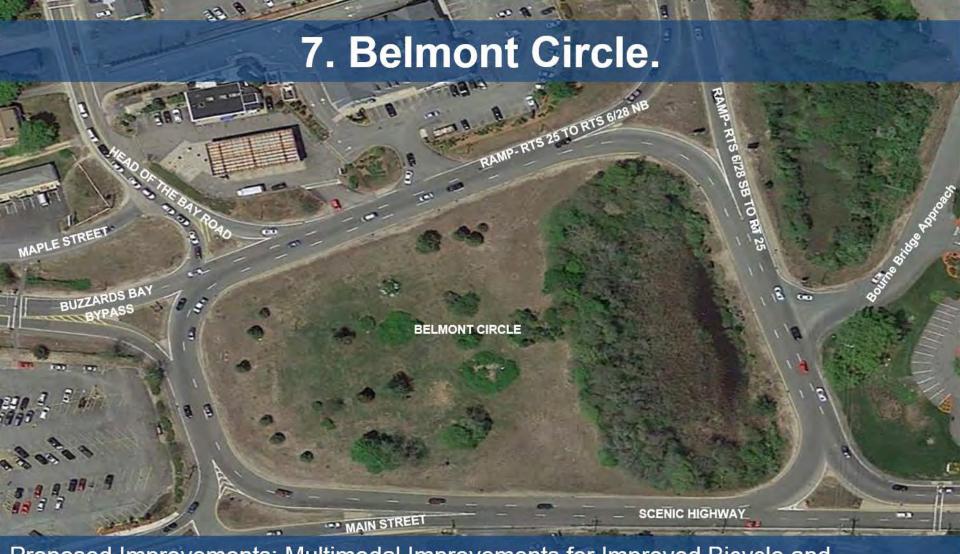
Delay is on Minor Approach. Major Approaches Operate Acceptably.

No sidewalks present (ice arena nearby)

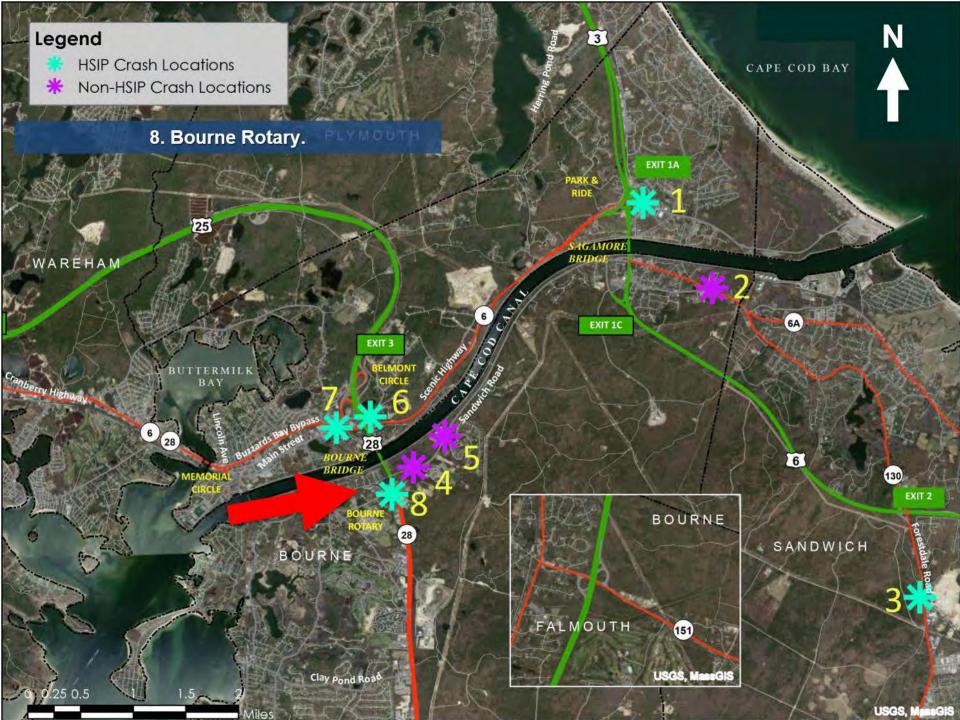


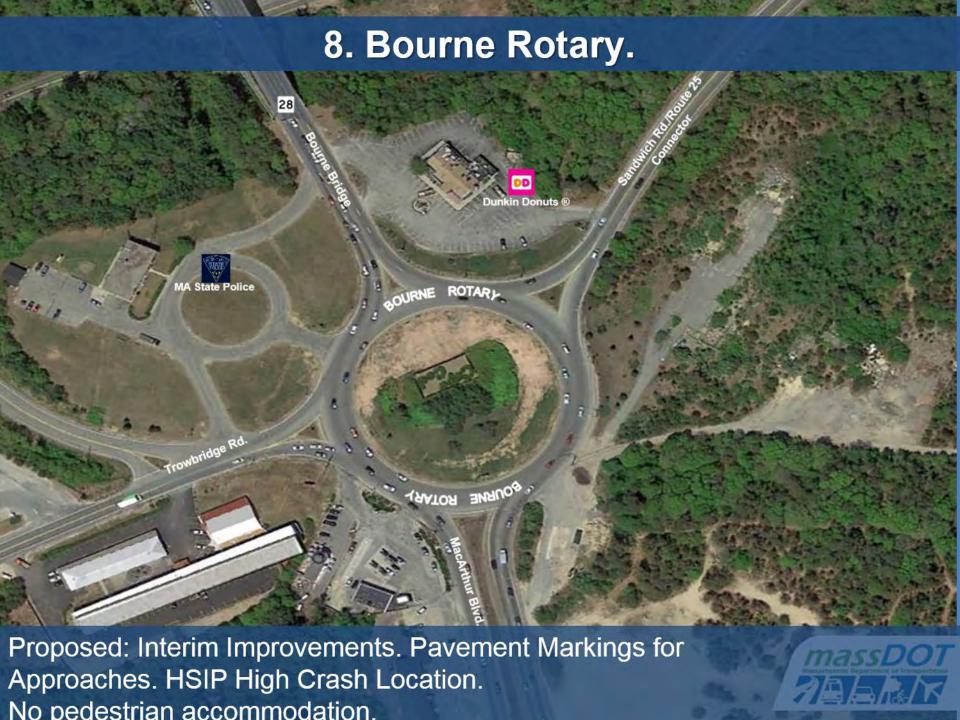




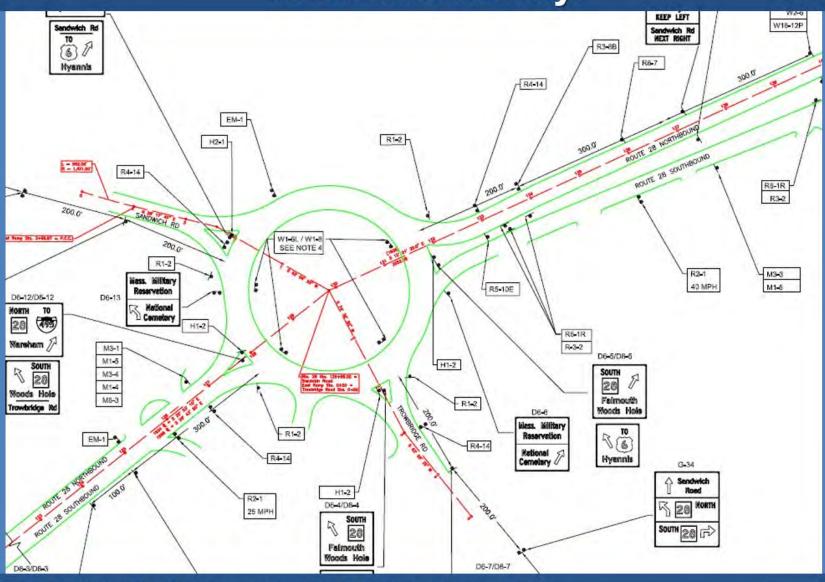


Proposed Improvements: Multimodal Improvements for Improved Bicycle and Pedestrian accommodation. Lane striping, shared-use path, lighting, pedestrian-activated crossing. On Cape Cod Commission's Draft 2017 - 2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP #606900 - 2020). High crash location. Sidewalks present on Main St. Lacks sidewalks elsewhere.

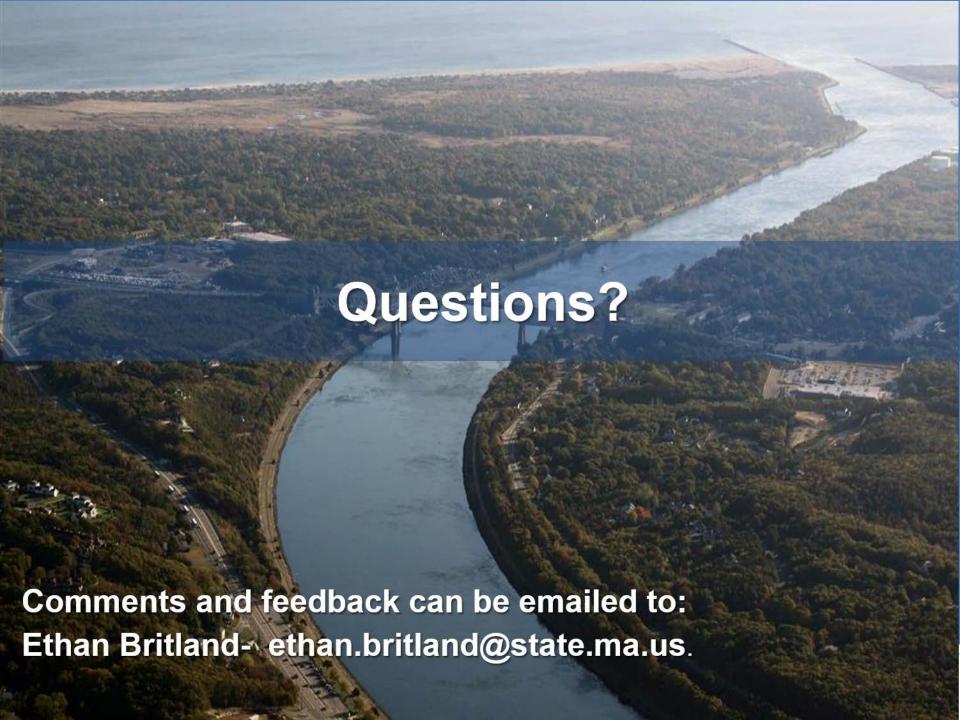




8. Bourne Rotary.



Proposed: Interim Improvements. Guide signs and pavement markings for approaches. Construction Nov. 2016. High Crash Location. No existing pedestrian accommodation





#### **Existing Bicycle Facilities**





### Gaps in Bicycle/Ped Connections to Canal Bikeway- West.



- Existing Bikeway Access
- Existing Pedestrian Only Access



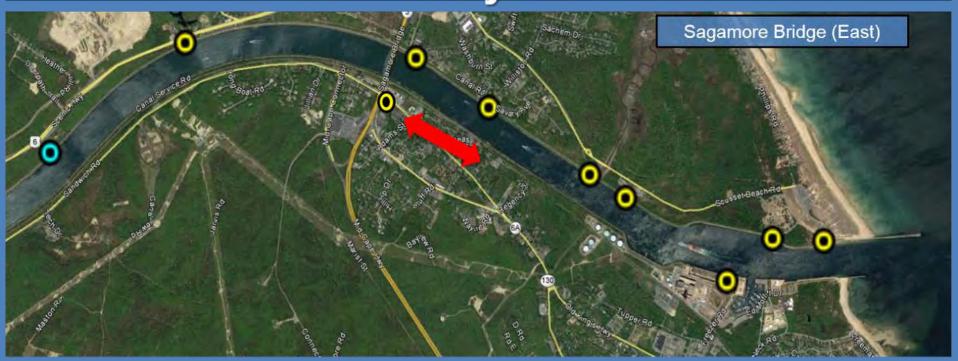
### Potential Bicycle/Ped Connections to Canal Bikeway- West.



- Existing Bikeway Access
- Existing Pedestrian Only Access
- Potential Bikeway Access



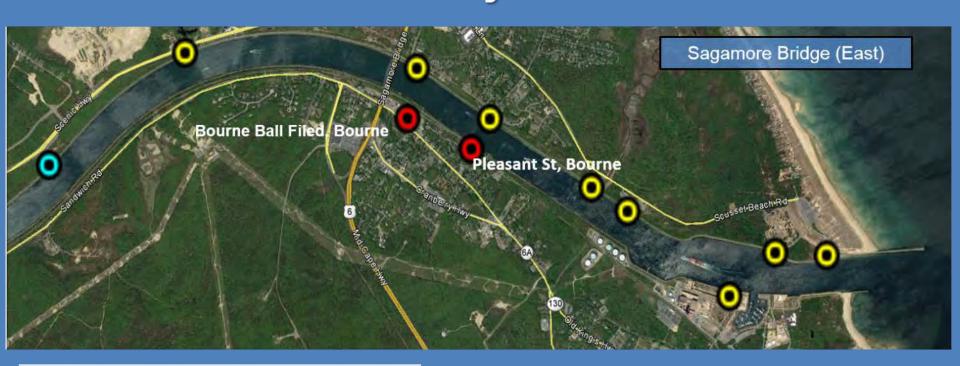
### Gaps in Bicycle/Ped Connections to Canal Bikeway-East.



- Existing Bikeway Access
- Existing Pedestrian Only Access



### Potential Bicycle/Ped Connections to Canal Bikeway-East.



- Existing Bikeway Access
- Existing Pedestrian Only Access
- Potential Bikeway Access



### Potential New Connections to Canal Bikeway.

- Old Bridge Road Bourne.
- Pleasant Street Bourne.
- Bourne Ball Field- Bourne.





### Potential Bicycle/Ped Connections to Canal Bikeway.





**Informal Path** 

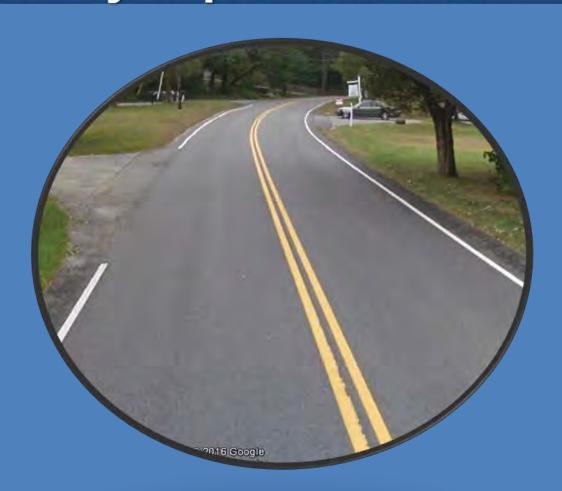
**Constructed Crossing** 



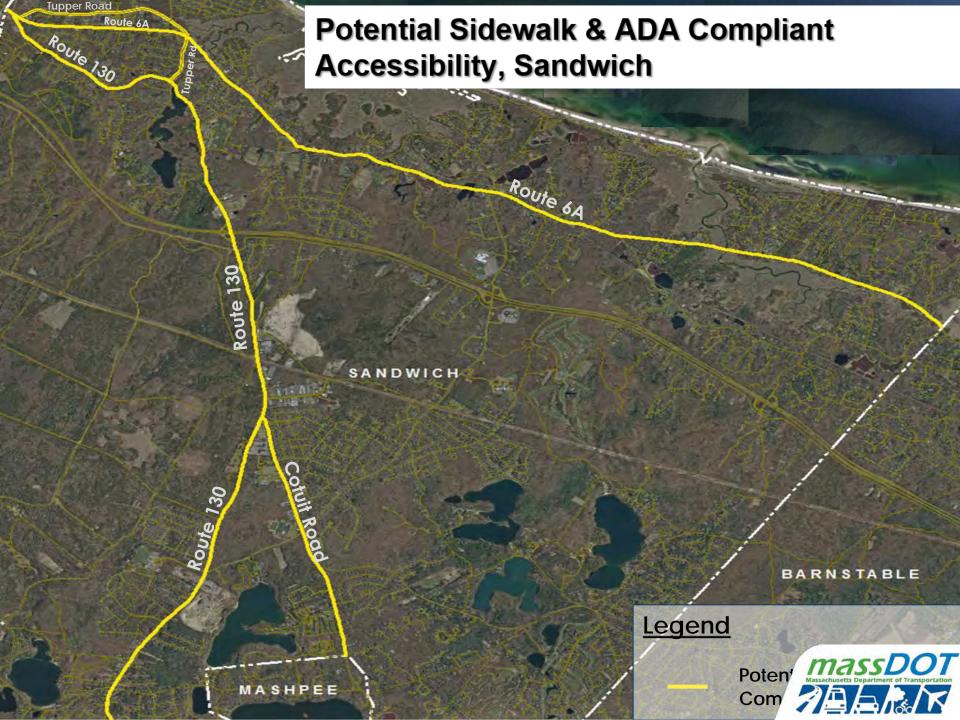
### Potential Sidewalk and ADA-Accessibility Improvements.

#### Sandwich:

- Route 130 (bus route).
- Route 6A.
- Cotuit Road.
- Tupper Road.







### Potential Sidewalk and ADA-Accessibility Improvements.

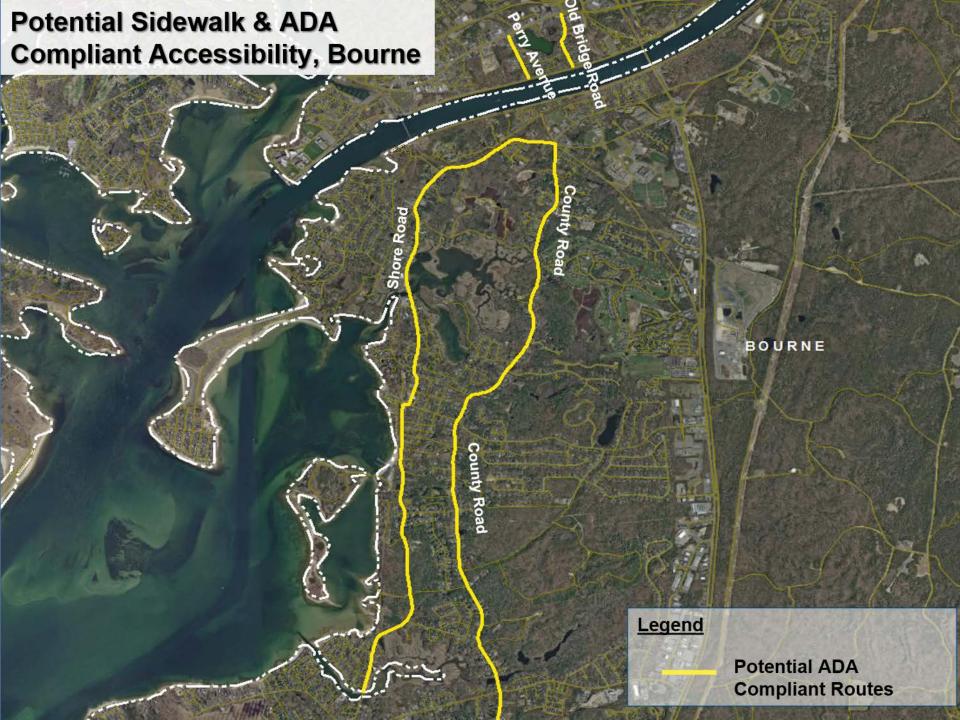
#### Bourne:

- County Road (bus route)
- Shore Road



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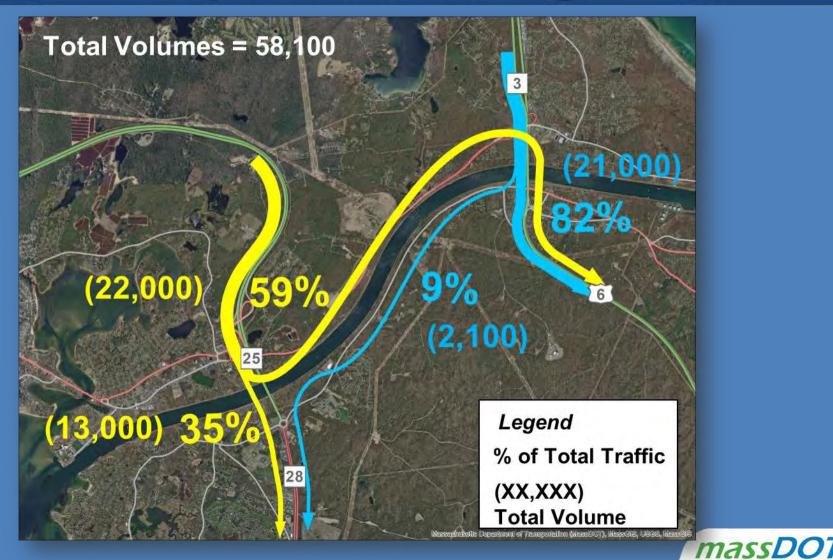
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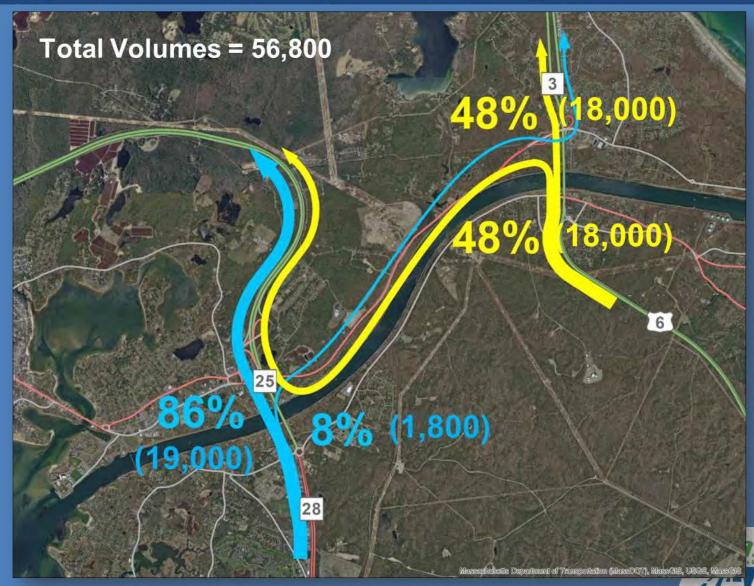
# Travel Patterns within the Study Area Strongly Influence Preliminary Alternatives Development.



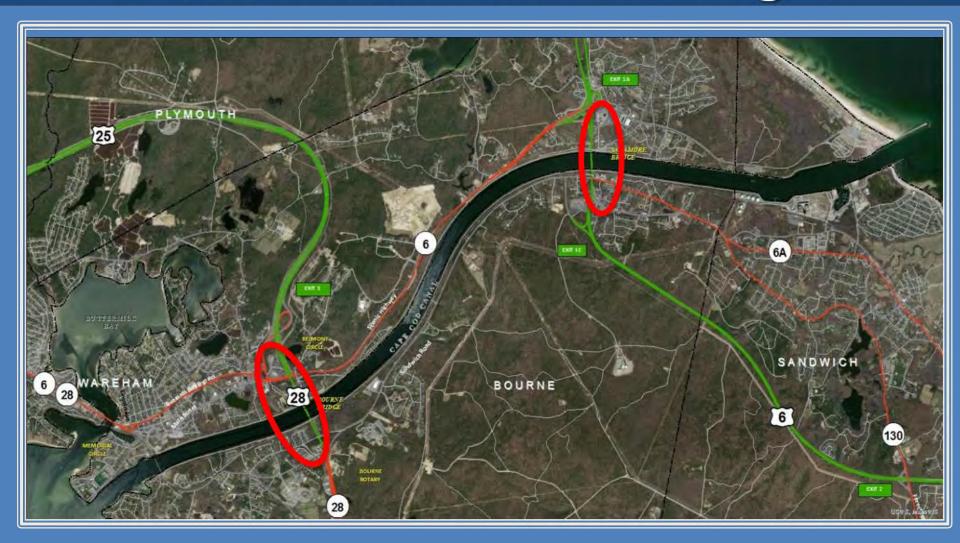
#### 2014 Summer Saturday (10 – 11AM) Cape-Bound Routing.



### 2014 Summer Sunday (12 -1PM) Off-Cape Routing.

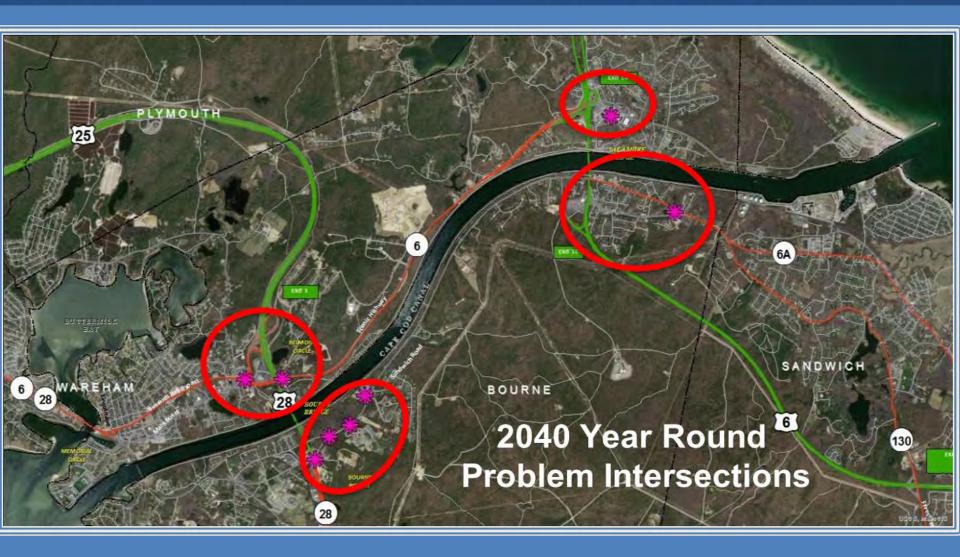


#### Focus Areas - Canal Bridges.





#### Focus Area - Canal Area Intersections.





#### **Belmont Circle.**



### Potential Mid-Term - Scenic Hwy to Route 25 Westbound Ramp.

- New Ramp from Scenic Highway to Route 25 Westbound.
- Begins at Scenic Hwy/Nightingale Pond Road Intersection.
- Diverts traffic from Belmont Circle.
   (780 cars in summer noontime peak period).
- Access from Scenic Hwy westbound only.
- Potentially improves traffic operations and safety in Belmont Circle (high crash location).

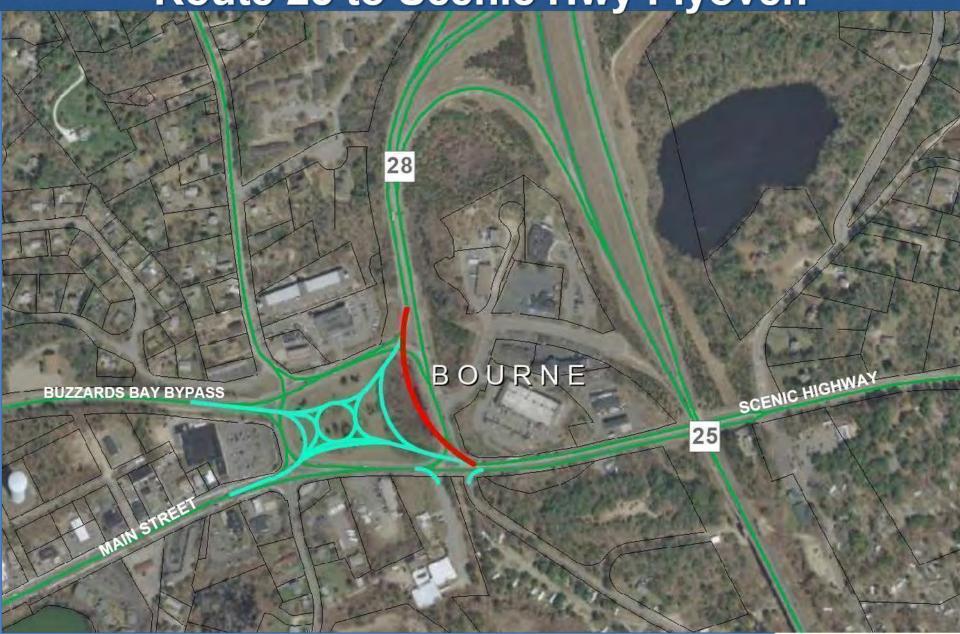


### Potential Mid-Term – Belmont Circle Fly-over Ramp and Roundabout.

- New Ramp from Route 25 eastbound to Scenic Highway eastbound.
- May also include Scenic Hwy to Route 25 westbound ramp.
- Reconstruction of Belmont Circle as a modern roundabout.
- Improves traffic operations and safety in Belmont Circle (high crash location).



Potential Mid-Term - Belmont Circle – Route 25 to Scenic Hwy Flyover.

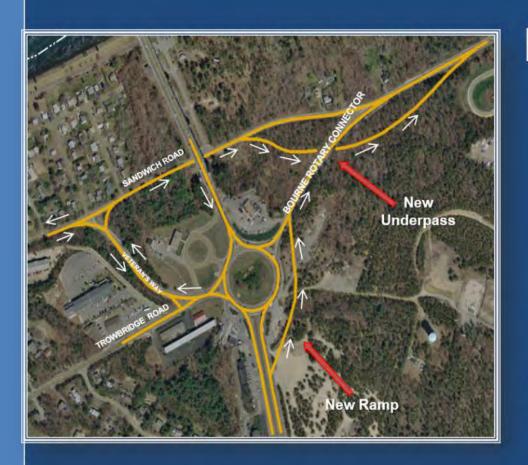


#### **Bourne Rotary.**



### Potential Mid-Term – Bourne Rotary Reconstruction.

- Enhanced southbound access to Sandwich Road (removes 1,175 vehicles from rotary during peak hour Saturday)
- Use of Veterans Way to Sandwich Road
- New bridge under Bourne Rotary
   Connector. Eliminates need for signalized intersection.
- New Route 28 northbound ramp directly to Bourne Rotary Connector (950 peak hour vehicles).



# Potential Mid-Term Bourne Rotary Reconstruction

Based on 2006 MassDOT Study.

Re-examined with current traffic volumes



### Potential Mid-Term Relocated Route 6 Exit 1C.

- Existing Exit 1C causes congestion
   Route 6 westbound due to short acceleration lane immediately before Bourne Bridge.
- New Exit 1C at utility corridor (3,400 feet east).
- New roadway to Route 130 at Route 6A.
- Potentially reduces congestion and improves safety with longer acceleration lanes on Route 6.
- Maintains westbound exit/entrance only.



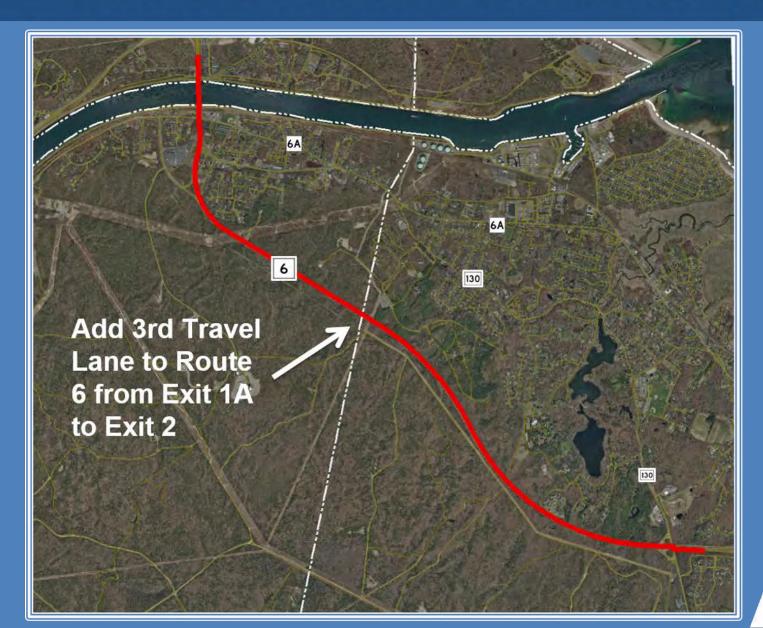
## Mid-Term - Route 6 - Relocation of Exit 1C. ROUTE 6A NEW ENTRANCE ROAD Relocated Exit 1C September 28, 2016

### Potential Mid-Term Route 6 Additional Travel Lane.

- Potential new travel lanes in both direction from Sagamore Bridge to Exit 2 (Route 130).
- Potentially reduces congestion and improves safety on Route 6 by allowing smoother merging of traffic entering or exiting Sagamore bridge.
- Limited environmental impact.



#### Route 6 Additional Travel Lane.





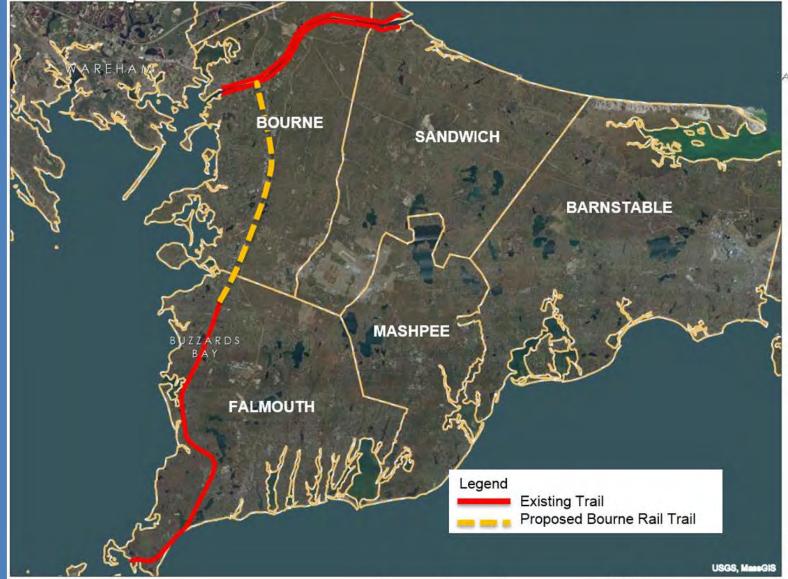
### Potential Mid-Term Bicycle/ Pedestrian/Freight Improvements.

- Bourne Rail Trail
   (Connecting
   Shining Sea
   Bikeway to
   Canal Bikeway).
- Wareham
   Community Path.





Potential Mid-Term Bicycle/Pedestrian Improvements. – Bourne Rail Trail

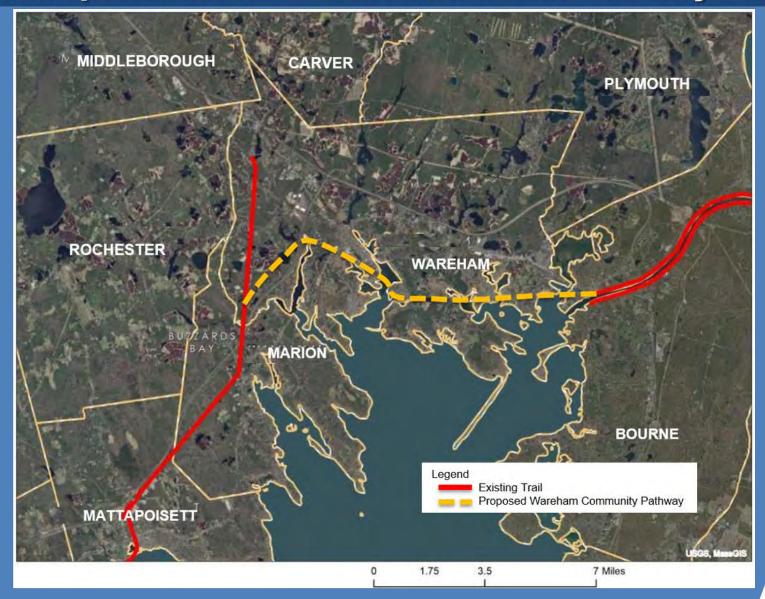


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10 Miles



#### Potential Mid-Term Bicycle/Pedestrian Improvements – Wareham Community Pathway.





#### Park and Ride Lots.

- Existing Park and Ride Lots on Route 6 in Barnstable (Route 132 - Exit 6) and Bourne (Route 3 at Meetinghouse Lane – Exit 1)
- Lots on Route 6 at 90% to 100% capacity.
- Served by bus lines (P&B/CCRTA).
- Route 130 (Exit 2) would provide a P&R lot between the two existing lots.



#### Park and Ride Lots





# Potential Mid-Term – Multi-Modal Center Route 6 at Route 130 Park & Ride Lot.



# Potential Freight Ferry Access between New Bedford and Martha's Vineyard.

- Steamship
   Authority draft
   report completed
   in April 2016.
- Desire to reduce truck traffic on local streets in Falmouth.





## Potential Freight Ferry Access between New Bedford and Martha's Vineyard.

- Study found challenges related to:
  - Pilot program in 2000-2001 carried only 16 trucks per day. Fee charged covered 18.5% of actual cost.
  - Cost of initiating service (buying or chartering an additional vessel.
  - Cost would be higher than Woods Hole (\$579 v. \$260 for one-way trip).
  - SSA subsidizing cost is not desirable. Would need state or other funding.



# Long- Term Alternatives. (8+ Years)

- Highest cost
- Lengthy environmental review and design period.

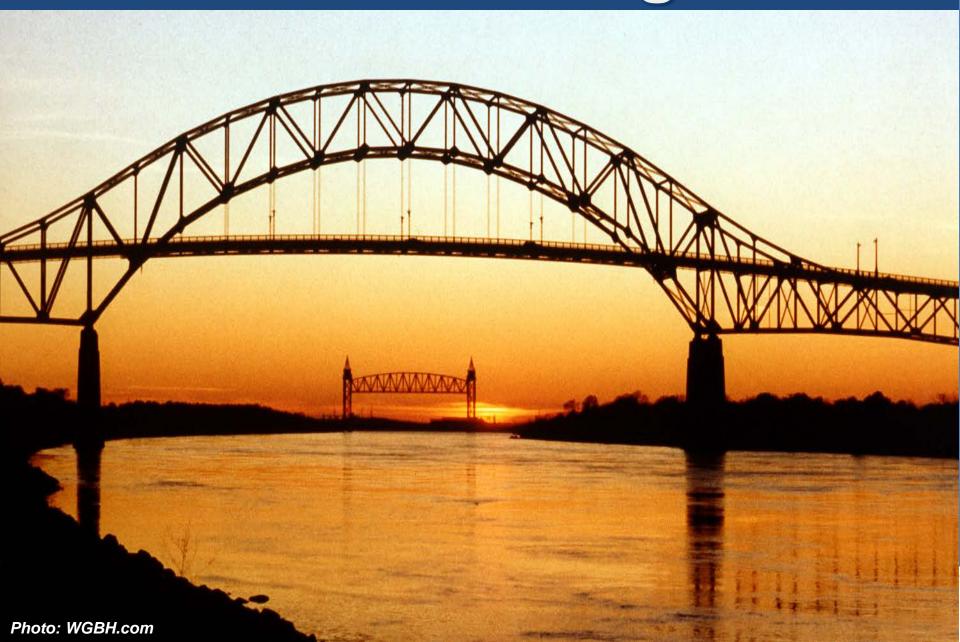


# Considerations for Long-Term Alternatives Development.

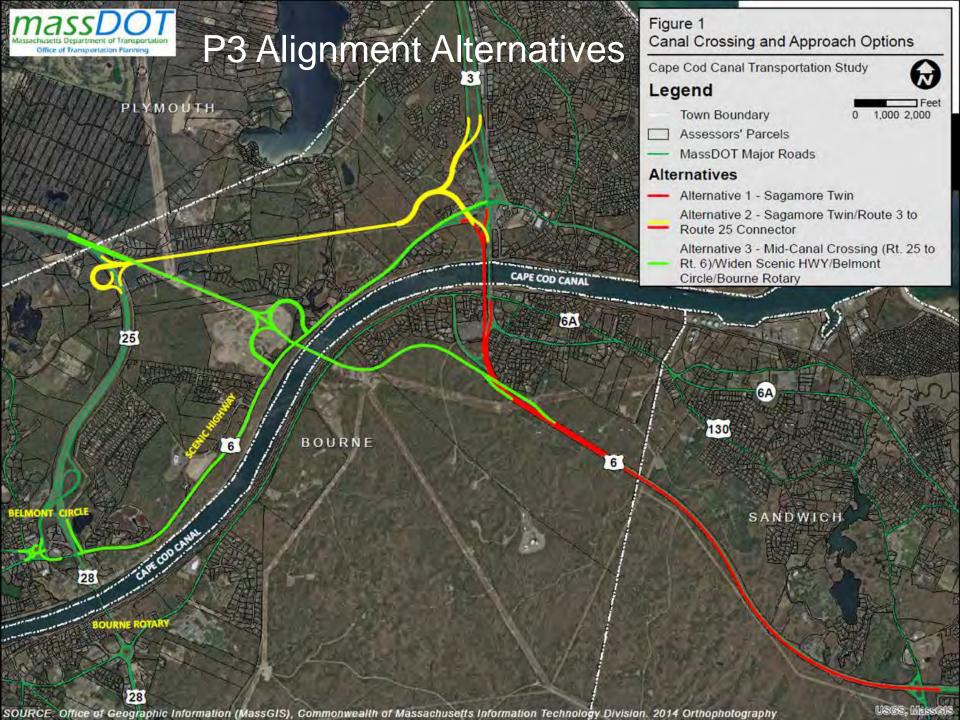
- US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) conducting study of bridges.
- We are assuming the replacement of both bridges. Toll Free.
- On-going examination of P3 Alternatives and outside submissions.

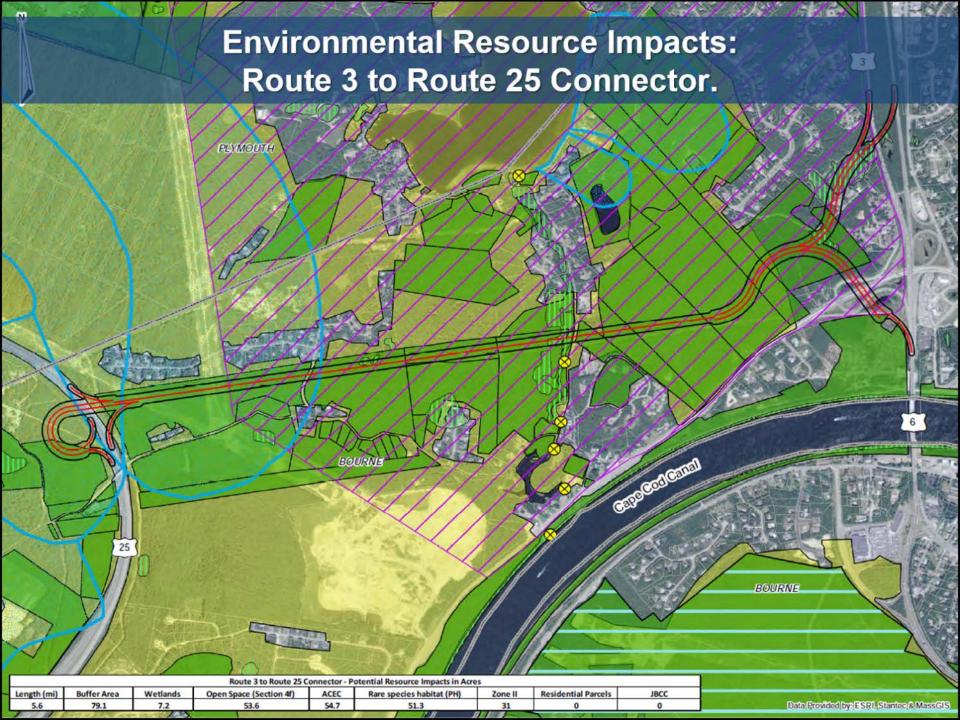


## Bourne Bridge.









## **Environmental Resource Impacts:** Route 3 to Route 25 Connector.

Route 3 to Route 25 Connector Impacts (acres)									
Wetlands	Open Space (Section 4(f)	ACEC	Rare Species Habitat	Zone II	Residential Parcels	JBCC			
7.2	53.6	54.7	51.3	31	0	0			





## **Environmental Resource Impacts: Middle Bridge.**

Middle Bridge Impacts (acres)									
Wetlands	Open Space (Section 4(f)	ACEC	Rare Species Habitat	Zone II	Residential Parcels	JBCC			
1.24	37.8	19.2	63.1	19.7	17	19.9			



#### Conclusion of Preliminary P3 Concepts.

Route 3 to Route 25 Connector and Mid-Canal Bridge Alternatives.

Dismissed from consideration due to Significant Environmental Impact.



## Preliminary Concepts Provided by Members of the Public.

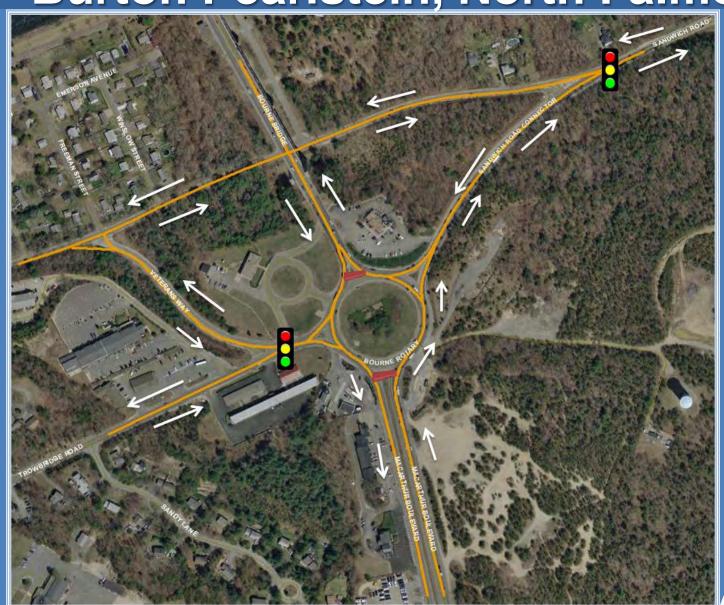


Tom Baron, South Yarmouth Burton Pearlstein, North Falmouth

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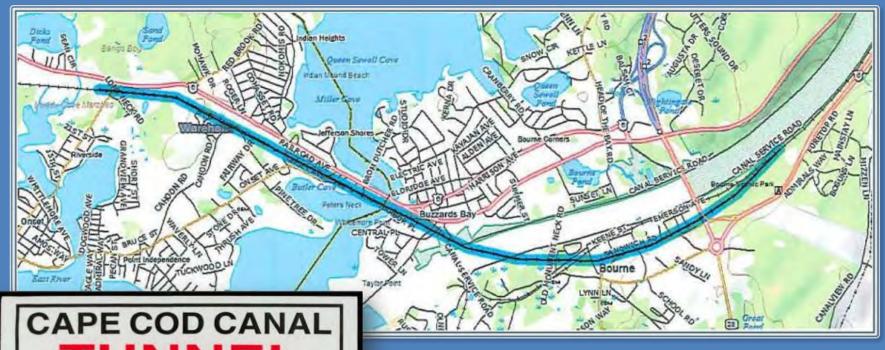


# Bourne Rotary Reconstruction. Burton Pearlstein, North Falmouth





#### Canal Tunnels.







### Challenges Related to Canal Tunnel.

- Topography requires much longer tunnel than bridge.
- Requires substantial ventilation equipment and structures.
- Would require major environmental Study (EIS).
- Difficult to accommodate bicycles or pedestrians.
- Construction cost double or more compared to a bridge.



## Conclusion of Transportation Concepts from Members of the Public.

- Modifications to Bourne Rotary –
   Additional Evaluation on-going
- Mid-Canal Bridge Crossing Dismissed due to significant environmental impact.
- Roadway/Rail Tunnels Dismissed due to impact & cost.
- Facilities on JBCC Right-of-way impacts.





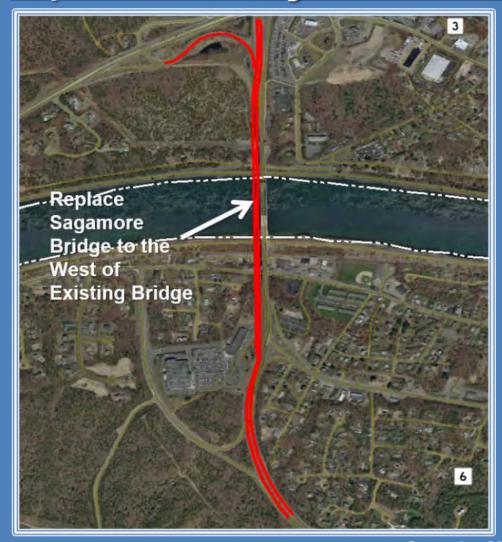
# Long-Term Alternatives - Goal is to Improve the Transportation System's Mobility, Reliability, and Safety.



#### Connecting Roadways Key to Solution.



# Potential Sagamore Bridge Replacement (Preliminary MassDOT/Corp's Concept.





# Potential Bourne Bridge Replacement (Preliminary MassDOT/Corp's Concept.





## **Bourne Rotary Reconstruction.**



# Potential Long-Term Bourne Rotary Reconstruction Concepts.

- Alternative 1 Route 28 Fly-Over.
- Alternative 2 MassDOT/USACE Interchange.
- Alternative 3 Modified Interchange.



# Alternative 1 - Bourne Rotary Fly-Over Concept.

- 1. Construction of Fly-over bridge for Route 28 through-traffic.
- 2. Must be compatible with future bridge
- 3. All other traffic uses rotary.
- 4. Minimal environmental or property impact.



# Alternative 1 - Bourne Rotary Fly-Over Fly-over

# Alternative 2 - Bourne Rotary MassDOT/USACE Interchange Concept.

- 1. Replacement of Bourne Rotary with highway interchange.
- Compatible with new bridge alignment to the east.
- 3. Direct access to and from all approaches.
- 4. Land impacts to the east.



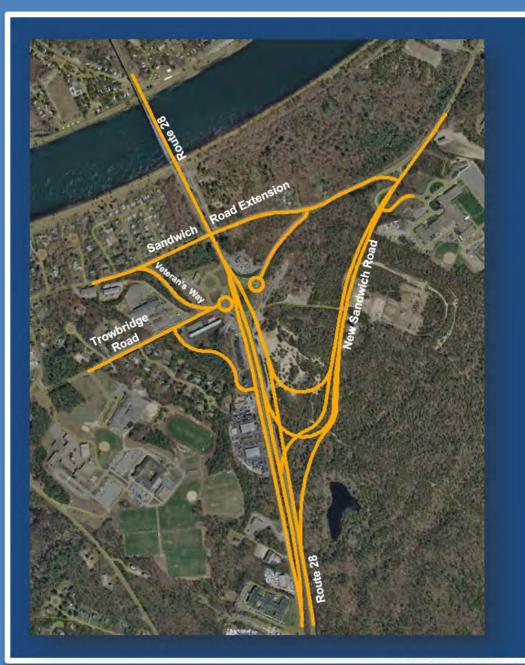
## Alternative 2 - Bourne Rotary MassDOT/Corps Interchange Concept.



# Alternative 3 Bourne Rotary Modified Interchange Concept.

- Replacement of Bourne Rotary with highway interchange.
- 2. Modified Access to Trowbridge Road.
- 3. No Direct Access from Bourn Rotary Connector or Trowbridge Road.
- 4. Limits impact to adjacent commercial properties.





Alternative 3
Bourne Rotary
Modified
Interchange
concept



#### Potential Additional Infrastructure.

- New roadway connections to reduce congestion, especially in peak periods.
- Lanes in each direction or reversible lane.
- Considering various concepts which may be combined into a single concept.
- May be an alternative facility type;
   Toll, High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV),
   High Occupancy Toll (HOT) or other types.



# Potential Additional Infrastructure Concept 1.

- Potential additional travel lane on Route 3 and Route 6 corridor.
- Limits may extend from Route 3 at Herring Pond Road (Exit 2), over Sagamore Bridge, to Route 6 at Route 130 (Exit 2).
- Lanes or each direction in reversible center lane.



## Potential Additional Infrastructure.

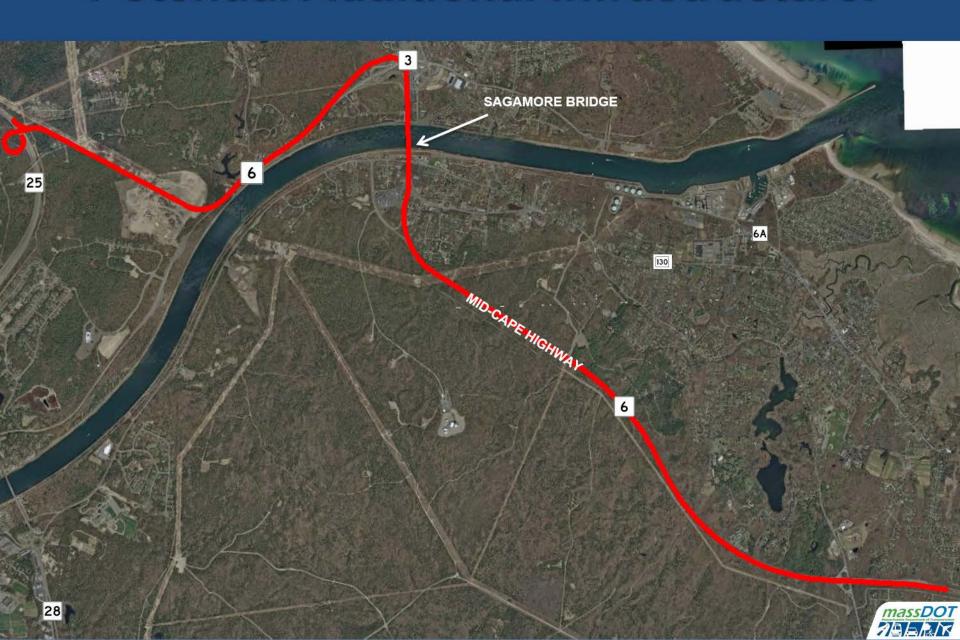


# Potential Additional Infrastructure Concept 2.

- Potential new roadway connecting Route 25 to Route 6 via Scenic Highway.
- Continue south over Sagamore Bridge on Route 6 to Route 130 (Exit 2).
- Addresses high Route 25 to Route 6 travel volumes



#### Potential Additional Infrastructure.



# Potential Additional Infrastructure Concept 3.

- Potential new roadway connecting Route 25 to Route 3.
- Continues south over Sagamore Bridge on Route 6 to Route 130 (Exit 2).
- Addresses high Route 25 to Route 6 travel volumes



#### Potential Additional Infrastructure.







### Selection of Package of Alternatives.

- Overall improvements will be best combination of short-, mid-, and long-term improvements.
- Project sub-areas (Bourne Rotary, Belmont Circle, Sagamore area) to be evaluated using traffic modeling (VISSIM, Synchro)
- Travel demand model will then ensure that the 'transportation system' works as desired.

### Selection of Package of Alternatives.

- Transportation Improvements will layered upon one another until they result in acceptable forecast future traffic conditions.
- Selected Improvements will also be evaluated based on:
  - Effectiveness.
  - Environmental Impact.
  - Community Disruption.
  - Property Impacts.
  - Cost.



### Next Steps.

- Further Evaluation of Short-, Mid-, & Long-Term Improvement Alternatives.
- Evaluation Matrix.
- Working Group Feedback.



## Study Schedule.

	2016							2017												
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec		
TASK 3 Alternatives Development									Щ	4	Π.									
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Public Meeting																				
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### **End of Presentation.**

