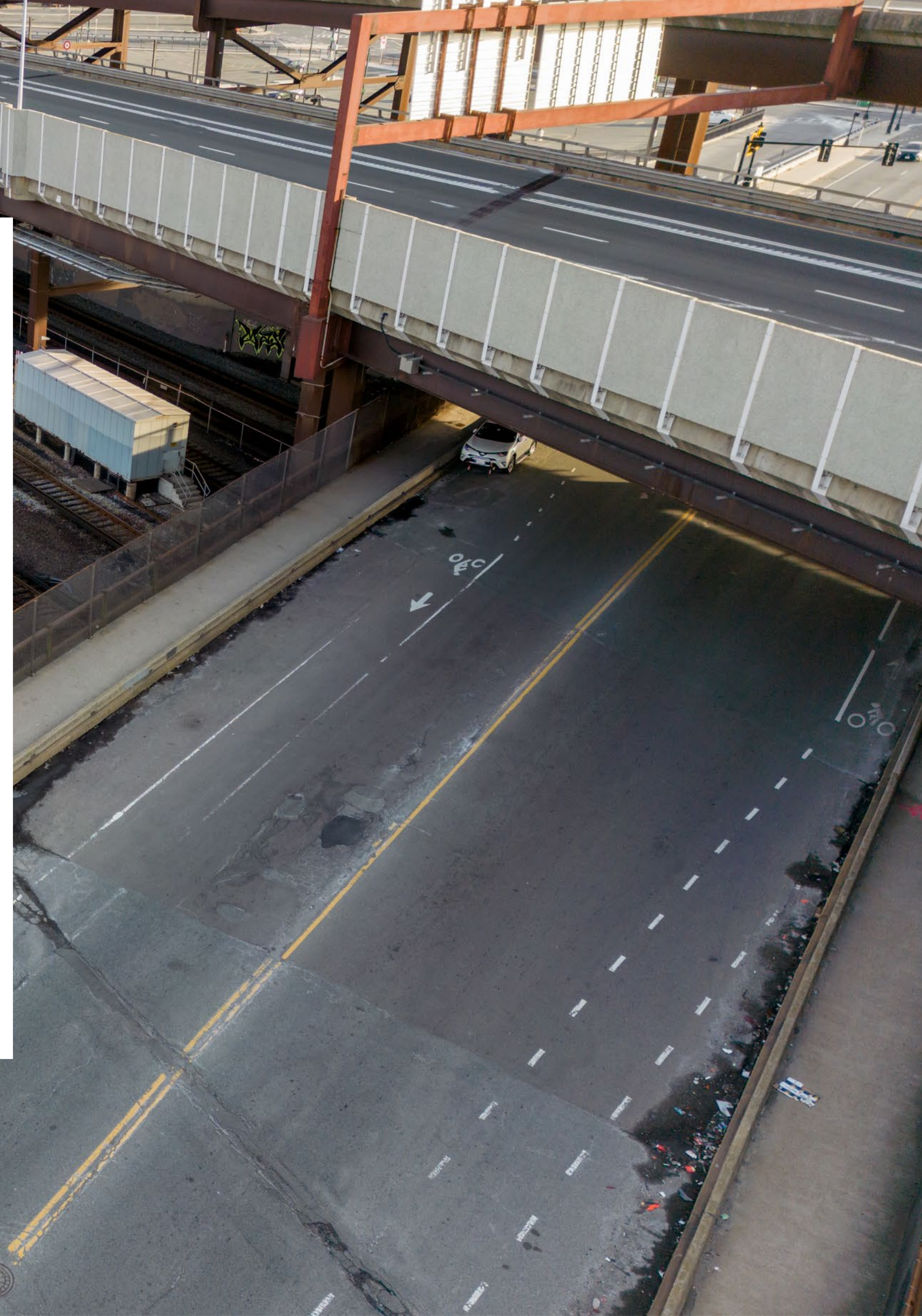




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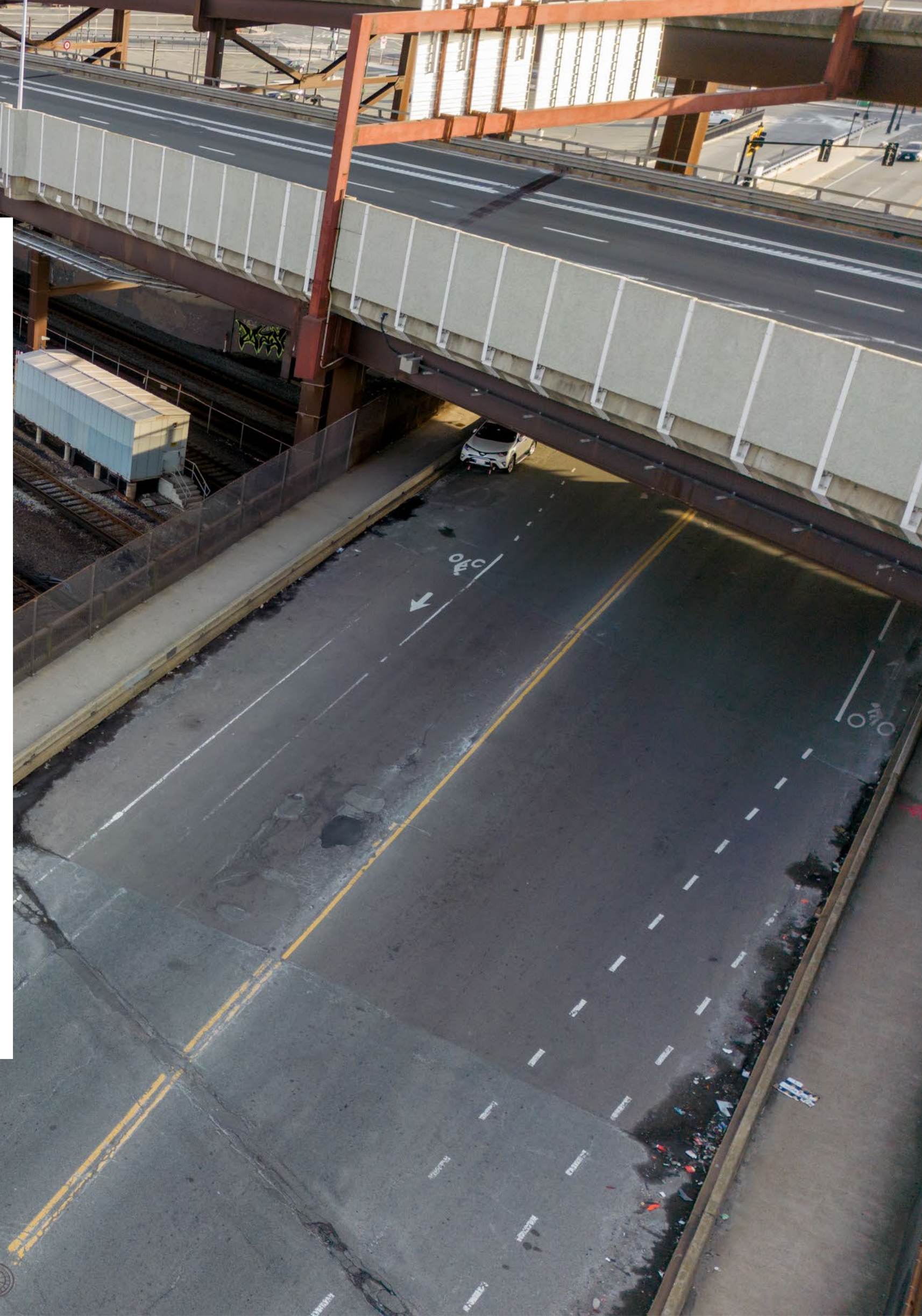
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*25% Design Public Hearing*

Virtual Public Hearing

May 13, 2026

Project File No. 612989



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# Presentation Participants

- **MassDOT Project Manager**
  - Christopher Cameron
- **MassDOT ROW Agent:**
  - Nancy Knight
- **MassDOT Producer/Facilitator**
  - Addy Olaoye
  - Miranda Briseño
- **MassDOT District 6 Project Development**
  - Patrick Magoon
- **City of Boston Public Works Department**
  - Joe Fleury
- **Gill Engineering Associates, Inc.**
  - Preston Huckabee
  - James Turnbull
- **Toole Design**
  - Michelle Danila

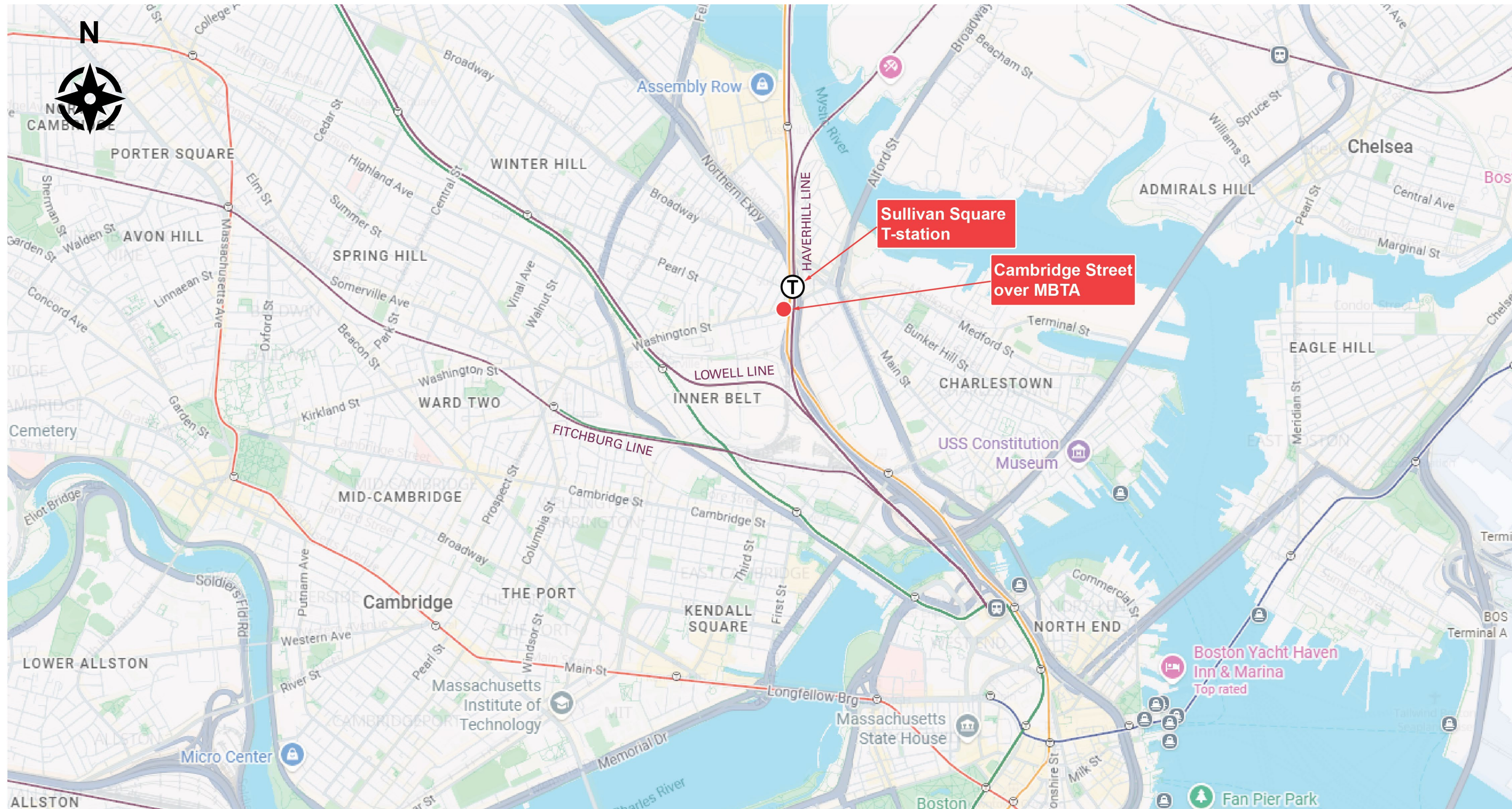


## Recent public outreach

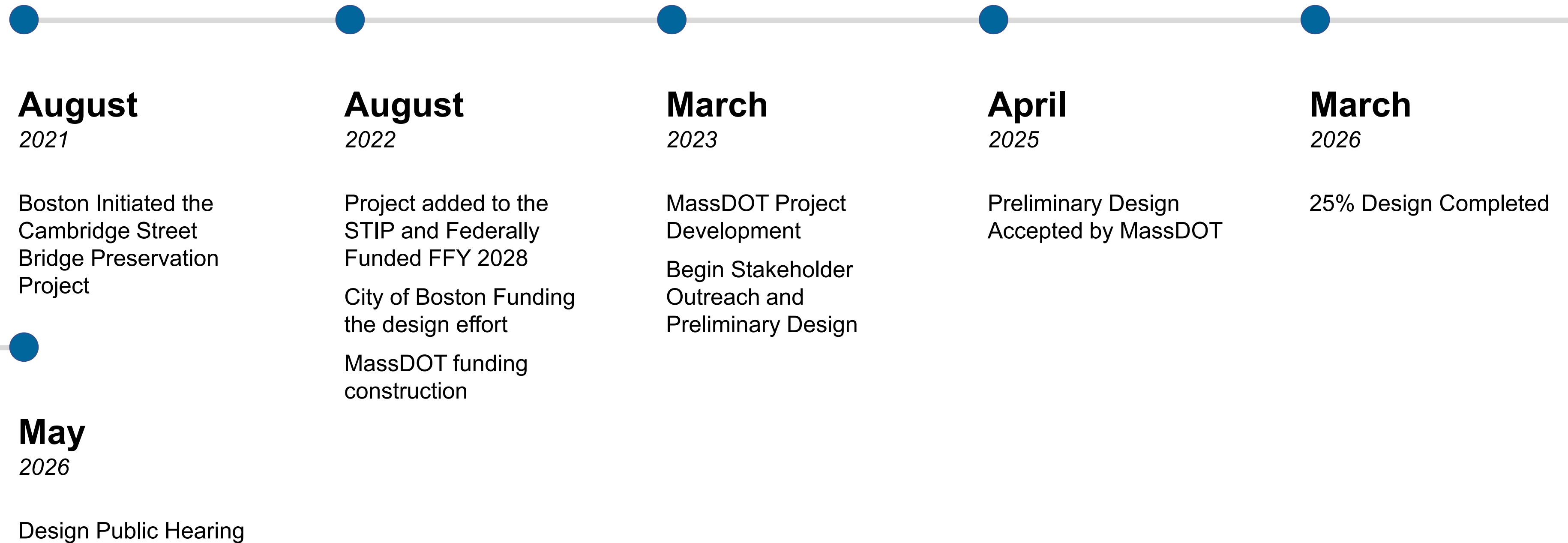
- **The Boston Sun and Charlestown Patriot Bridge**
  - April 29, 2026
  - May 6, 2026
- **Ongoing MassDOT coordination with City Officials and MBTA**



# Project Location



# How did we get here?





**Why was this project initiated?**

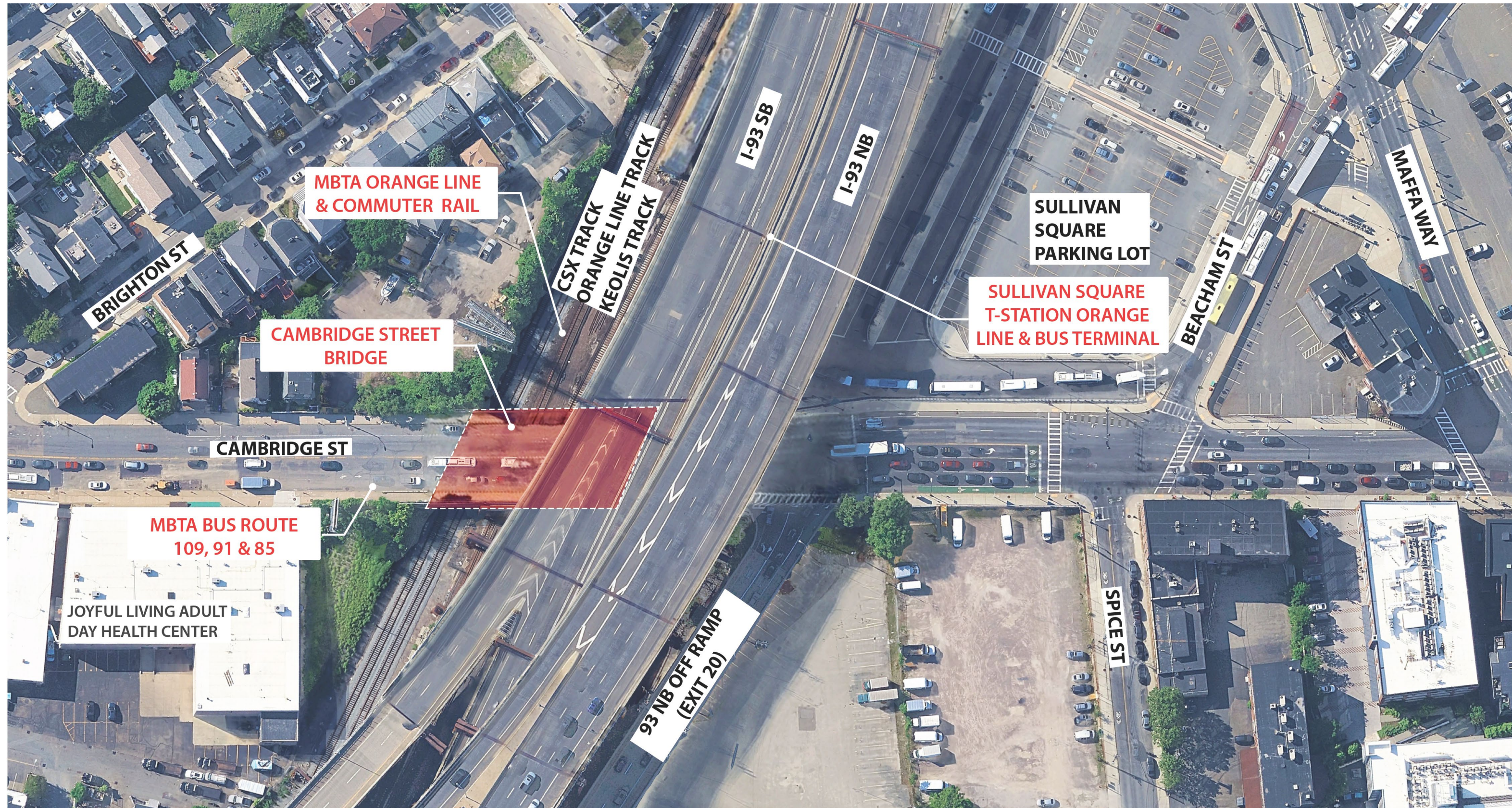
## Bridge Need

- Bridge construction completed in 1972 to accommodate construction of the Orange Line
- Bridge Deck Deteriorating
  - Bridge deck to be replaced
- Steel Beams to be Refurbished
  - Repair and repaint steel
- Repair supporting abutments and pier
- Desirable to Maintain Functionality
  - Bridge Preservation





# Cambridge Street Surrounding Area

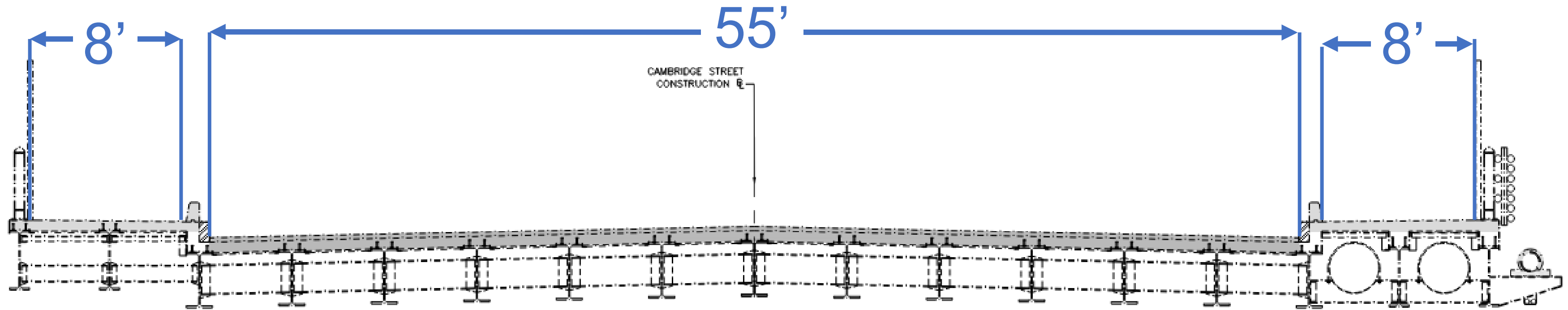


## Cambridge Street Existing Conditions

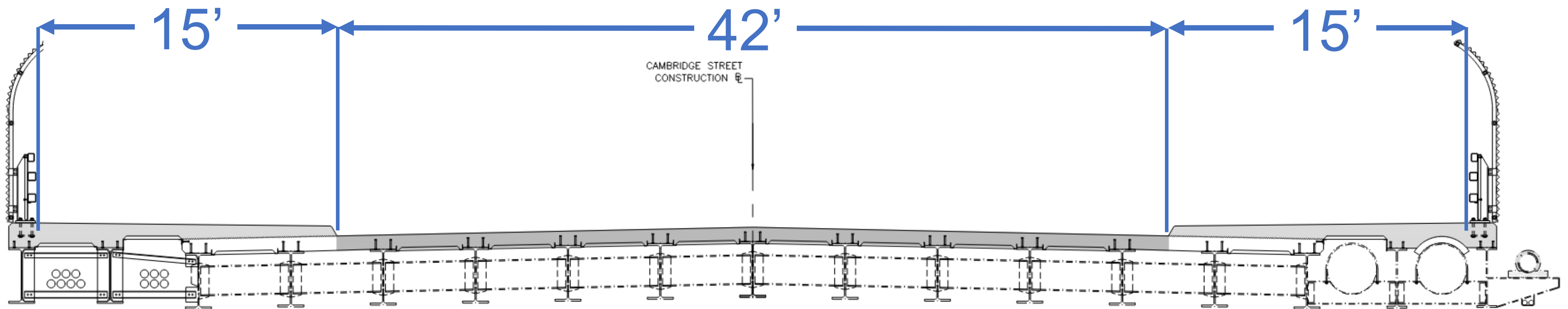
- Sidewalks
  - Approximately 8 ft wide
  - Raised curbs along edges
- Roadway
  - 2 Lanes in each direction at intersection
  - 1 Lane in each direction on bridge
  - Scattered on-street parking
  - Striped bike lanes
- I-93 Elevated Highway Overhead
- MBTA & CSX Railroad Below



# Cambridge Street Bridge Improvements

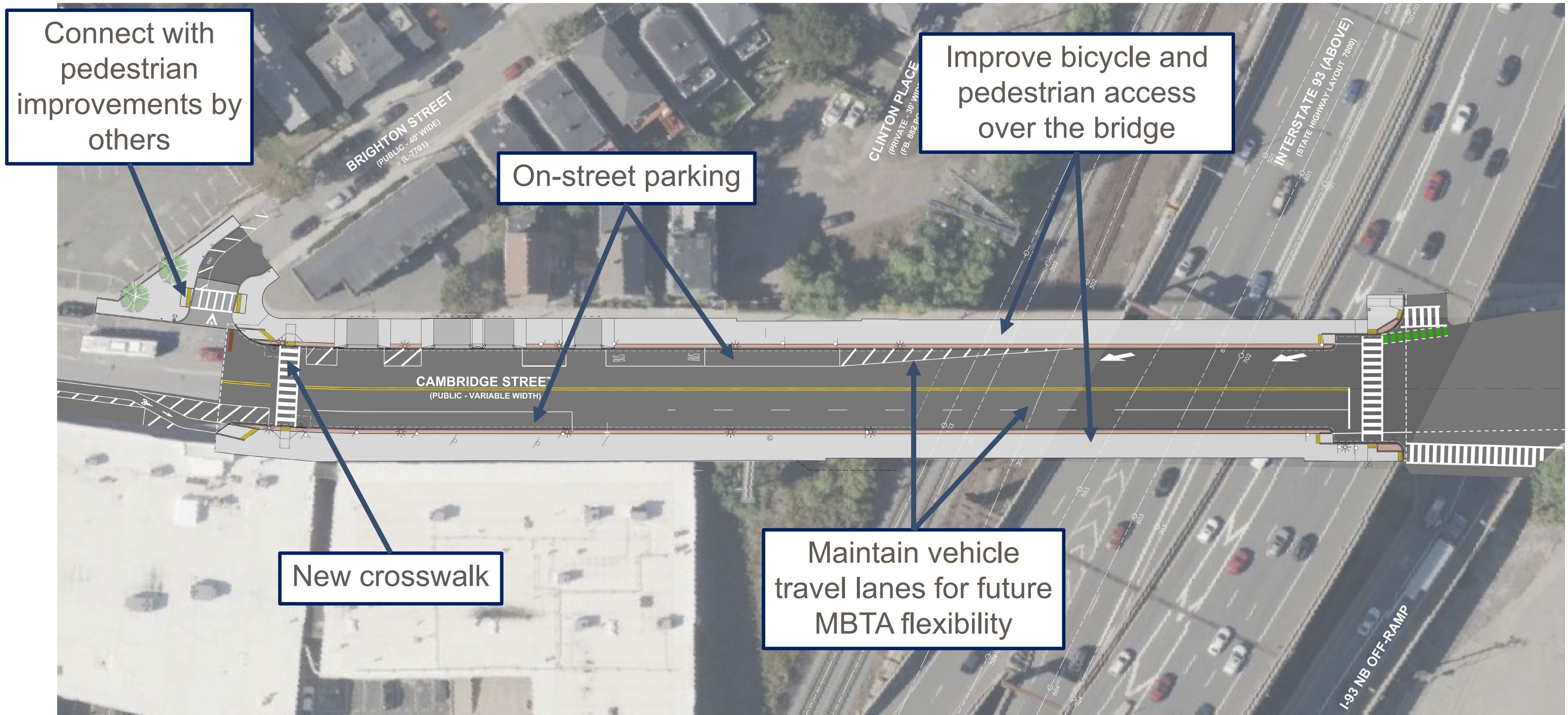


**EXISTING CROSS SECTION**



**PROPOSED CROSS SECTION**

# Cambridge Street Improvements





**How will your  
property be  
impacted?**

## Preliminary Right of Way (ROW) discussion 25% Design Public Hearing

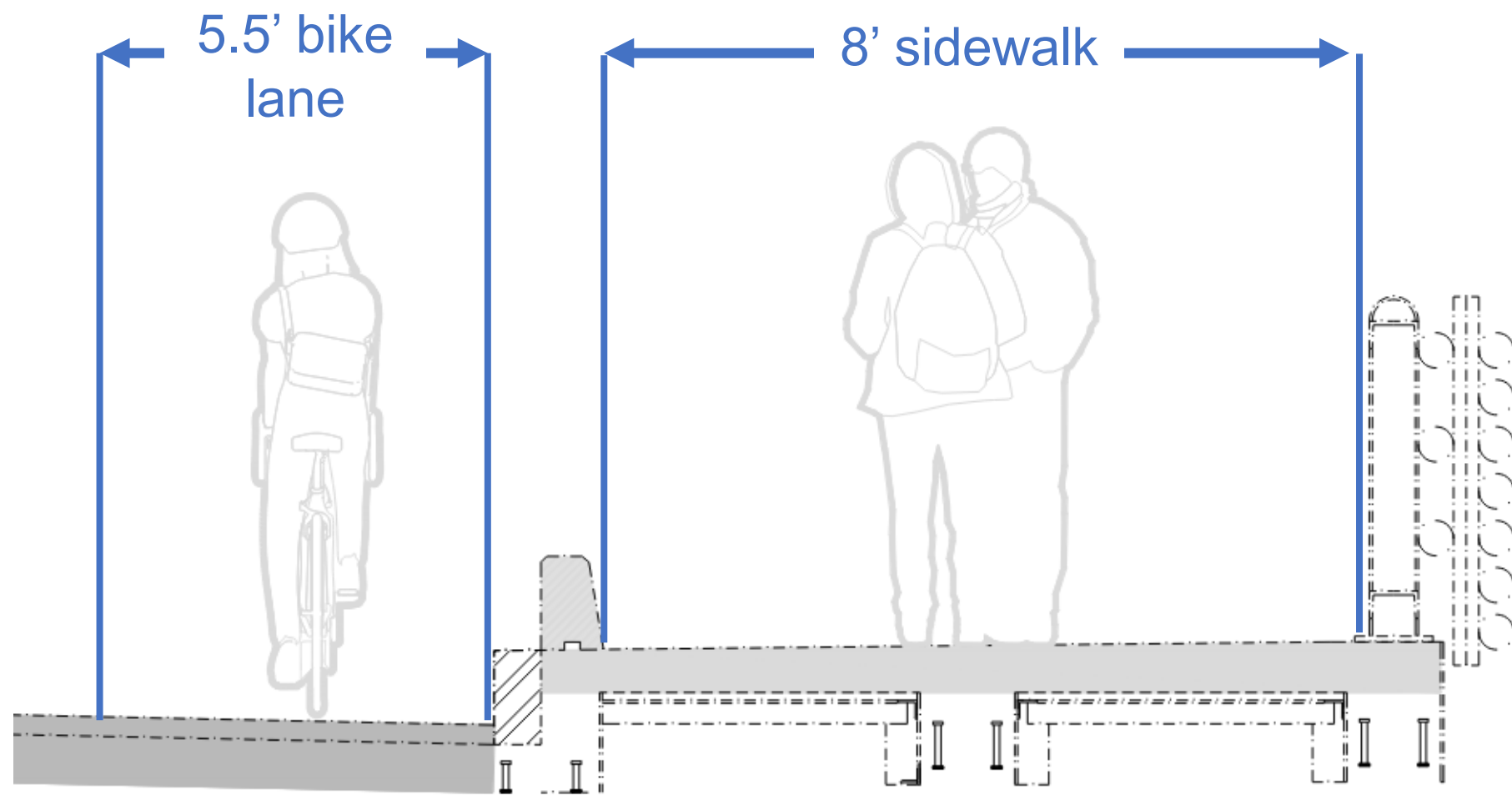
- The City of Boston is responsible for acquiring all necessary rights in public land for design, construction, and implementation of this project.
  - Permanent easements and/or temporary construction easements may be required.
- Affected property owners will be contacted by representatives from the City of Boston or consultants representing the responsible agency.
  - Property owners are protected under Massachusetts General Laws, primarily Chapter 79.
- Preliminary ROW drawings will be available at Boston City Hall Room 710 for public review and comment.

**At this stage of design, the Right of Way process has not been finalized. This meeting is an opportunity for the public to comment on any impacts to properties.**

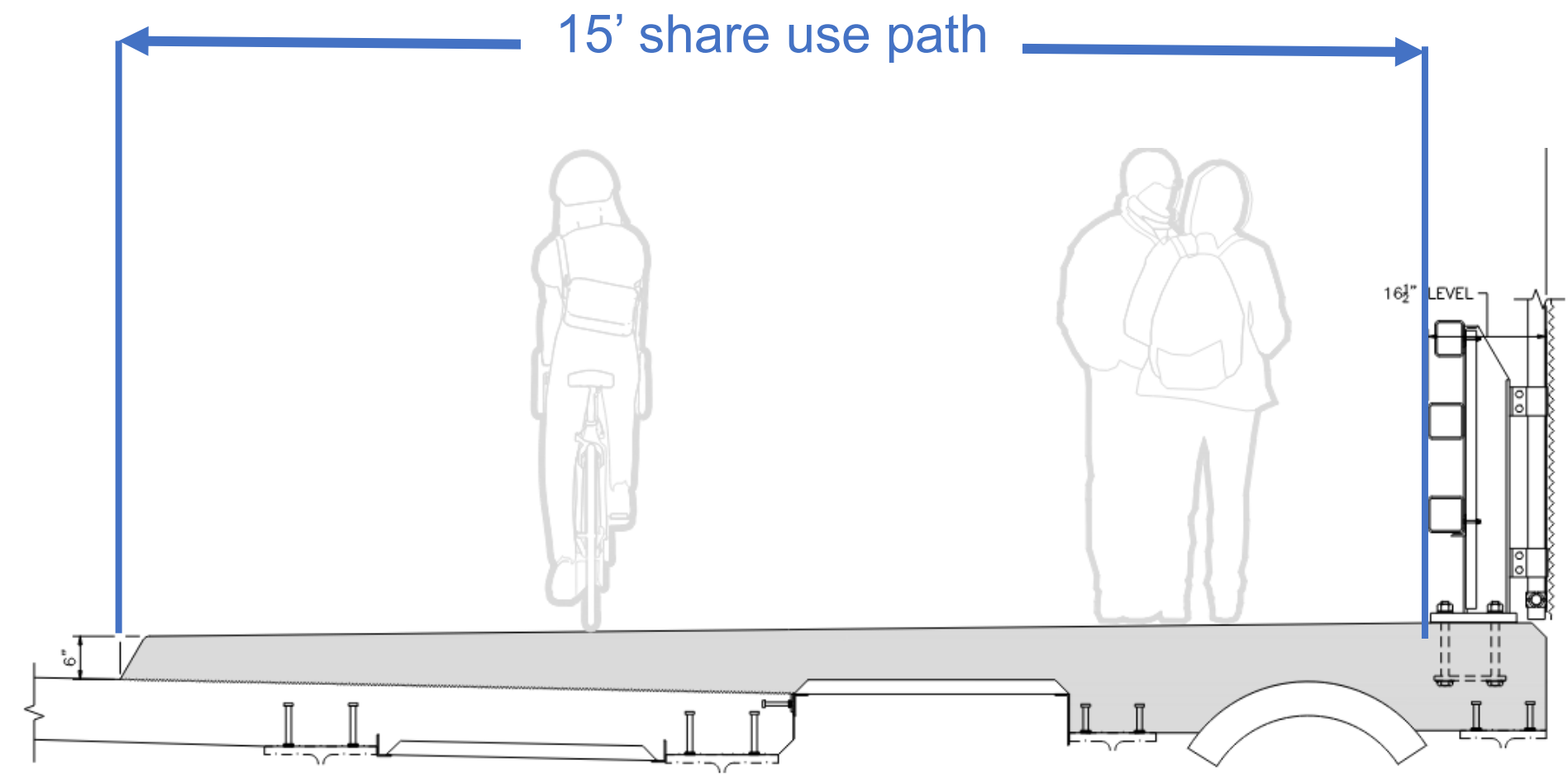


**How will  
bicyclists and  
pedestrians  
be impacted?**

## Existing Sidewalk & Bike Lane



## Separated Share-Use Path



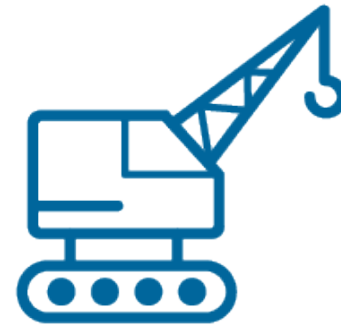


**What are the environmental, cultural resource, and community impacts?**

# Environmental and Resource Impacts

No Adverse Impacts





**What is the  
construction  
approach?**

## Staged Construction

- Construction to be performed in 3 stages
- Stage 1
  - Remove and replace the northern half of the deck
  - Refurbish the steel beams
- Stage 2
  - Remove and replace the southern half of the deck
  - Refurbish the steel beams
- Stage 3
  - Complete the northern sidewalk
- Continuous
  - Repair the abutments and pier



# Existing Roadway Facing to the East



**Begin Project**

Fully Open to Traffic

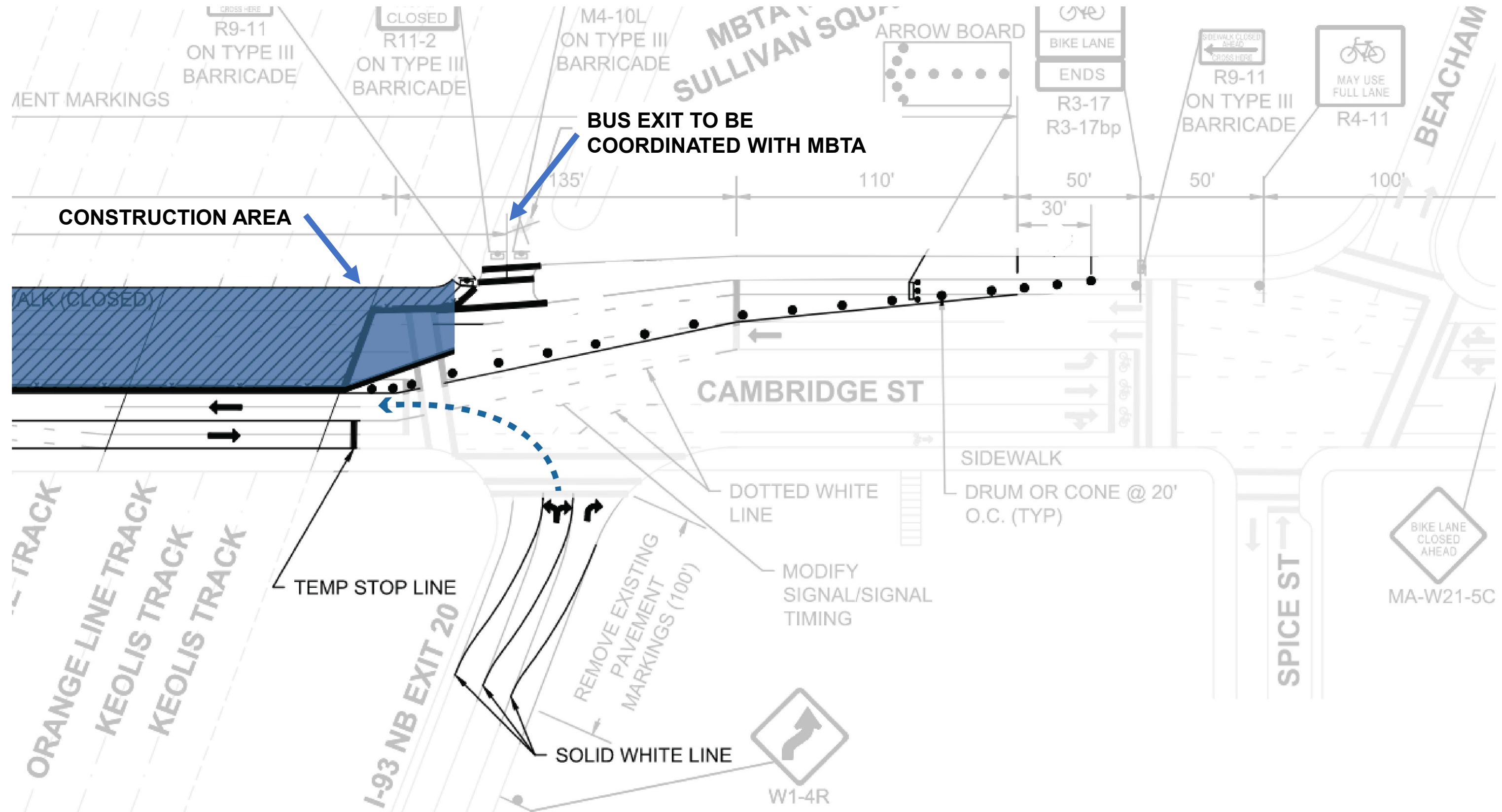
# Shift Traffic South & Close North Sidewalk



**Stage 1**

2 Lanes and 1 Sidewalk Open

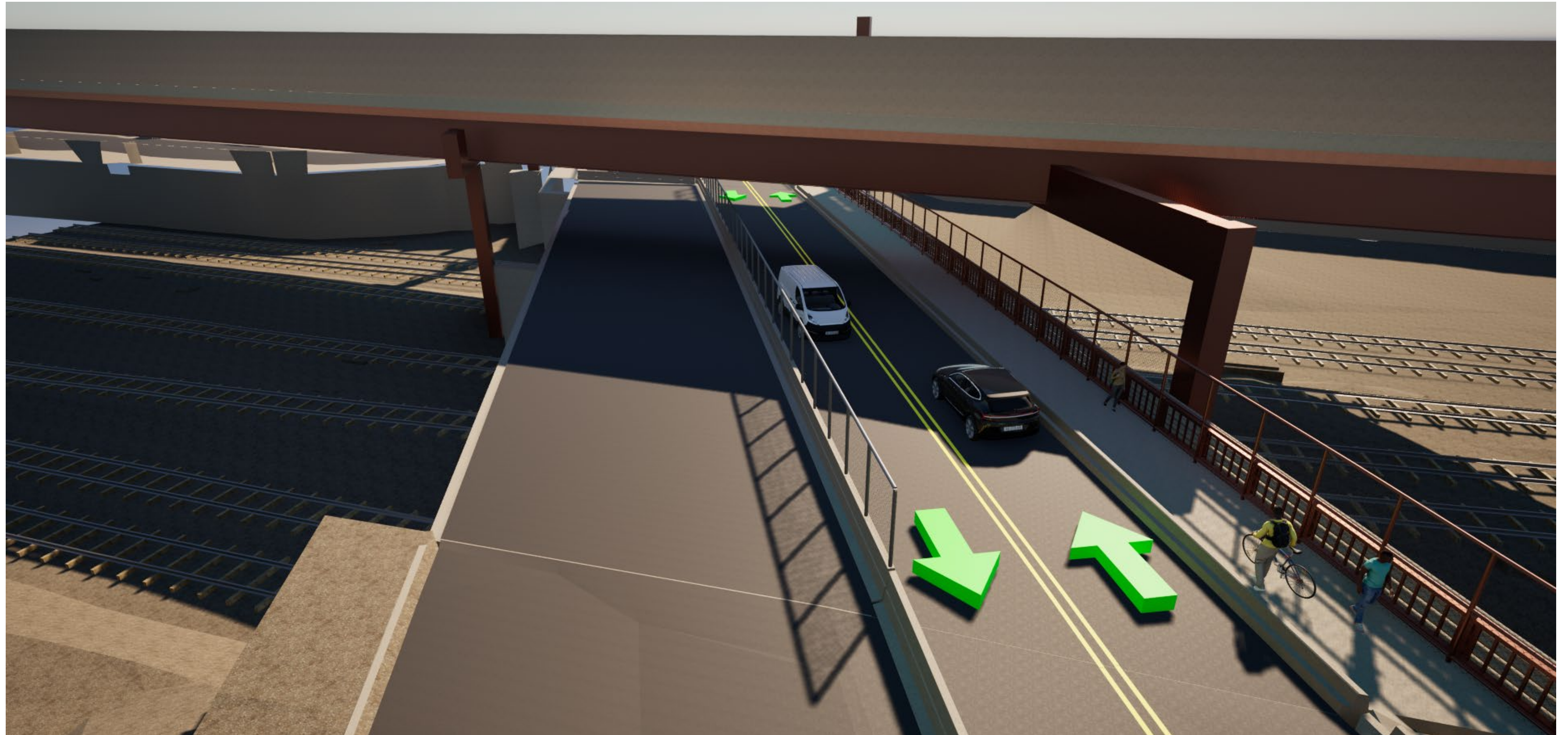
# Traffic Control at Ramp Intersection



## Stage 1

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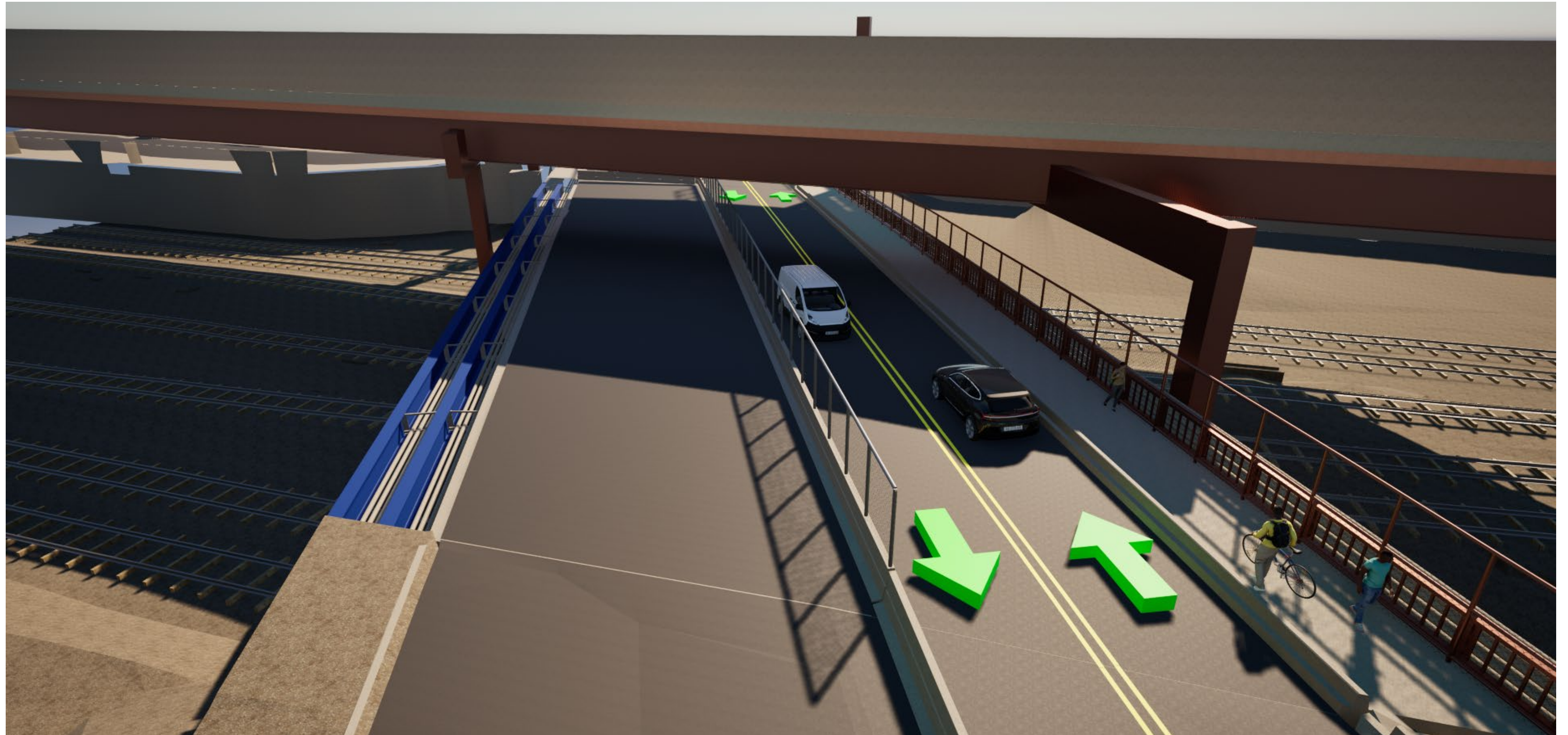
# Demolish Sidewalk & Remove 2 Beams



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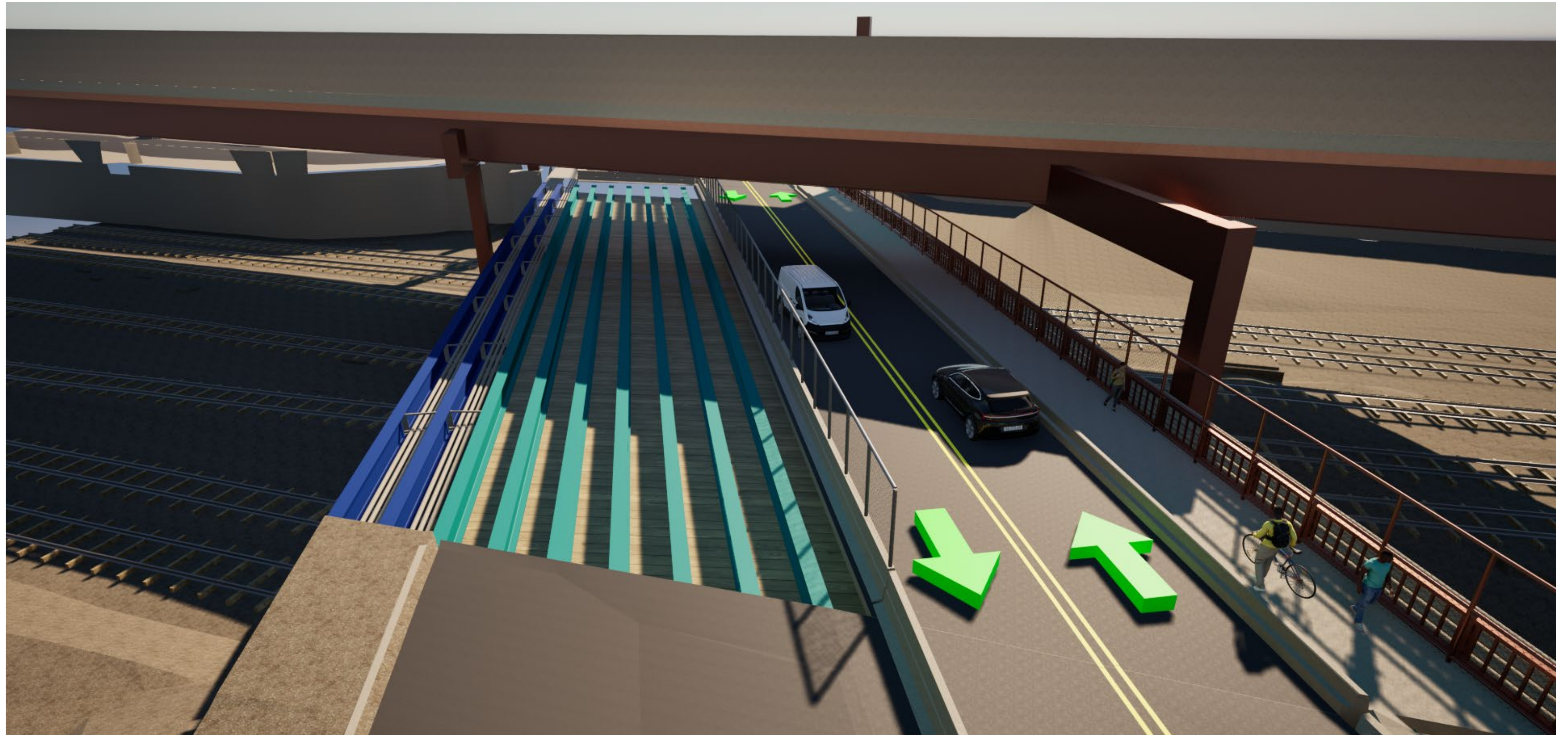
# Place 2 New Beams Under Sidewalk & Move Utilities



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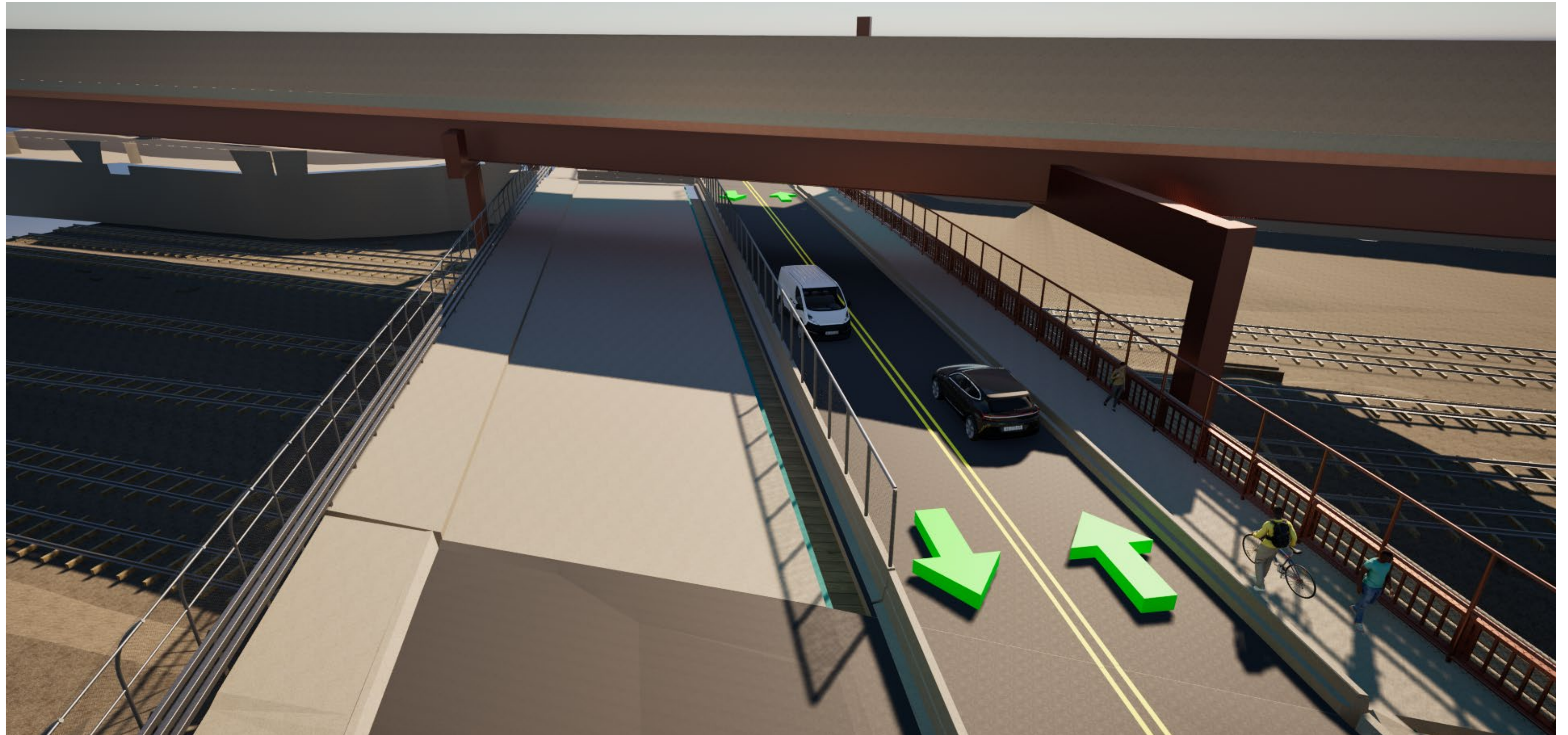
# Remove Half Bridge Deck & Refurbish Steel Beams



**Stage 1**

2 Lanes and 1 Sidewalk Open

# Construct New Bridge Deck & Half North Sidewalk



**Stage 1**

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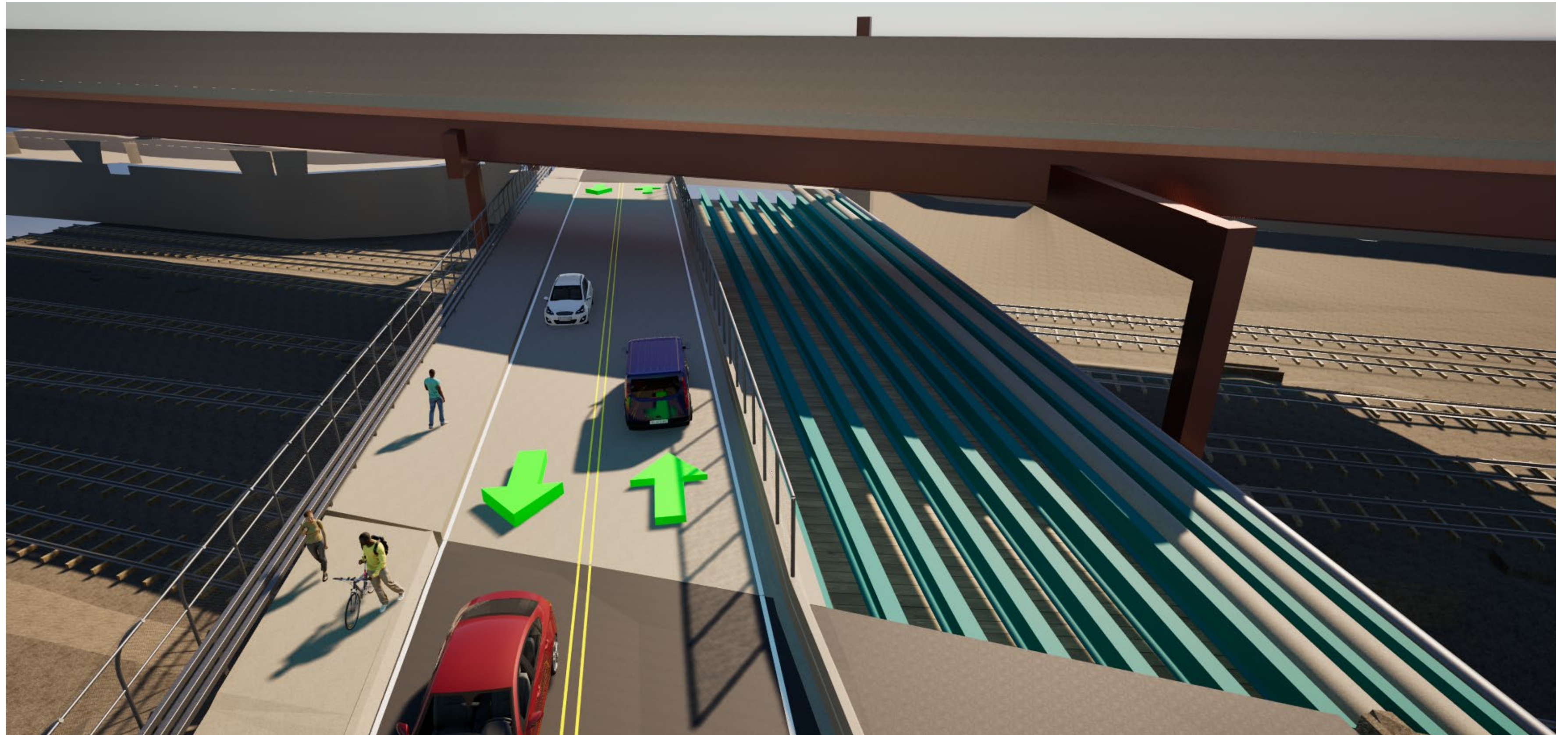
# Shift Traffic North & Close South Sidewalk



**Stage 2**

2 Lanes and 1 Sidewalk Open

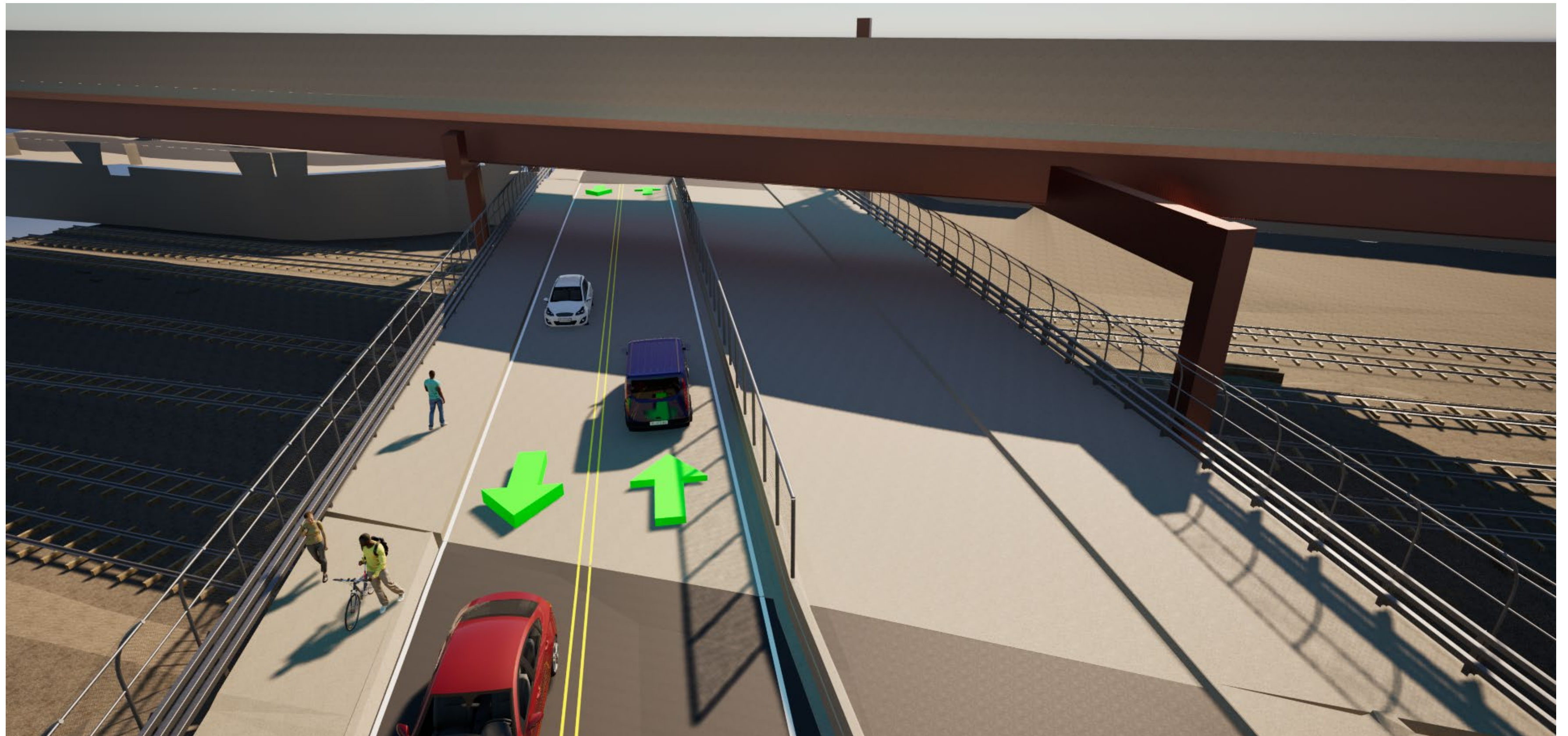
# Remove Half Bridge Deck & Refurbish Steel Beams



**Stage 2**

2 Lanes and 1 Sidewalk Open

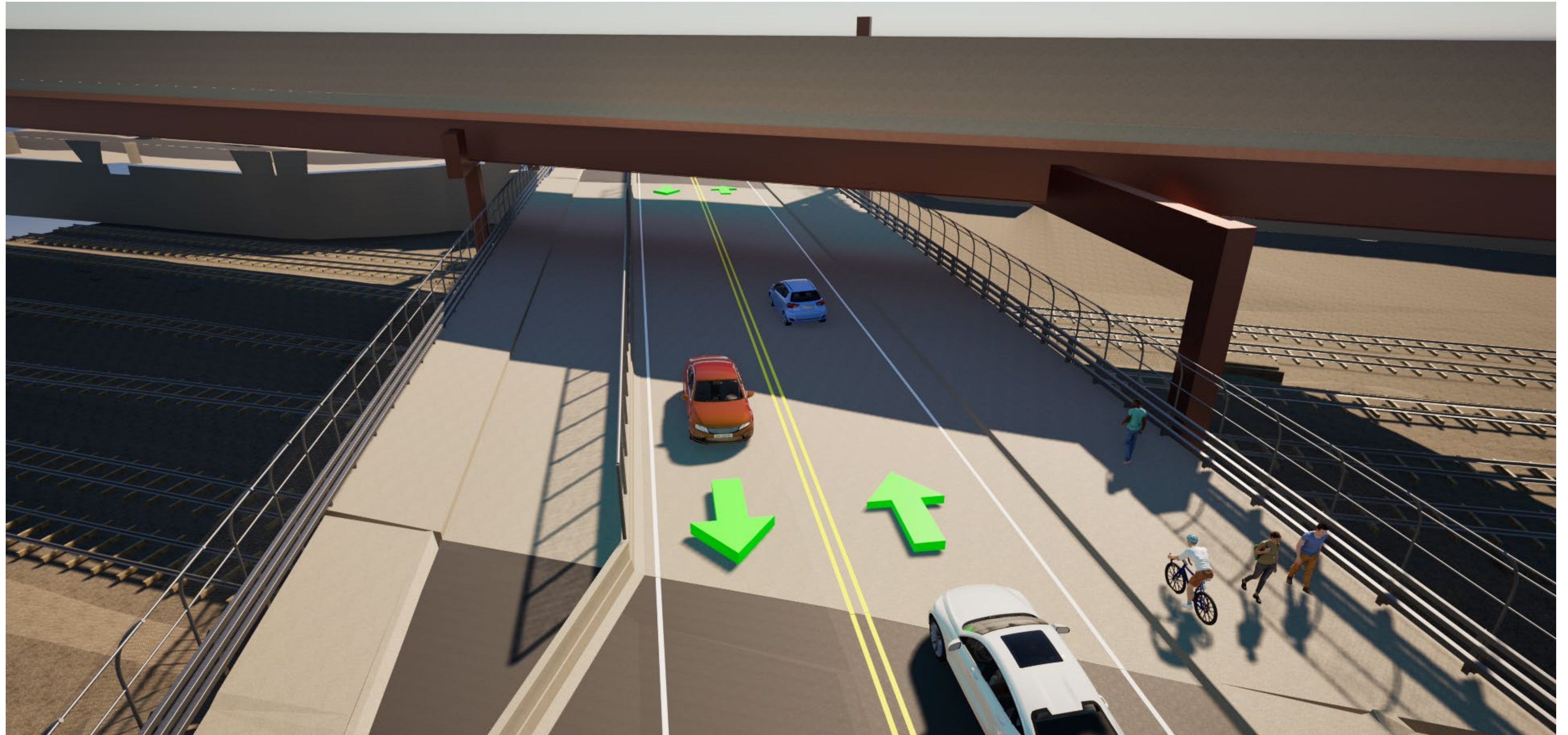
# Construct New Bridge Deck & Full South Sidewalk



**Stage 2**

2 Lanes and 1 Sidewalk Open

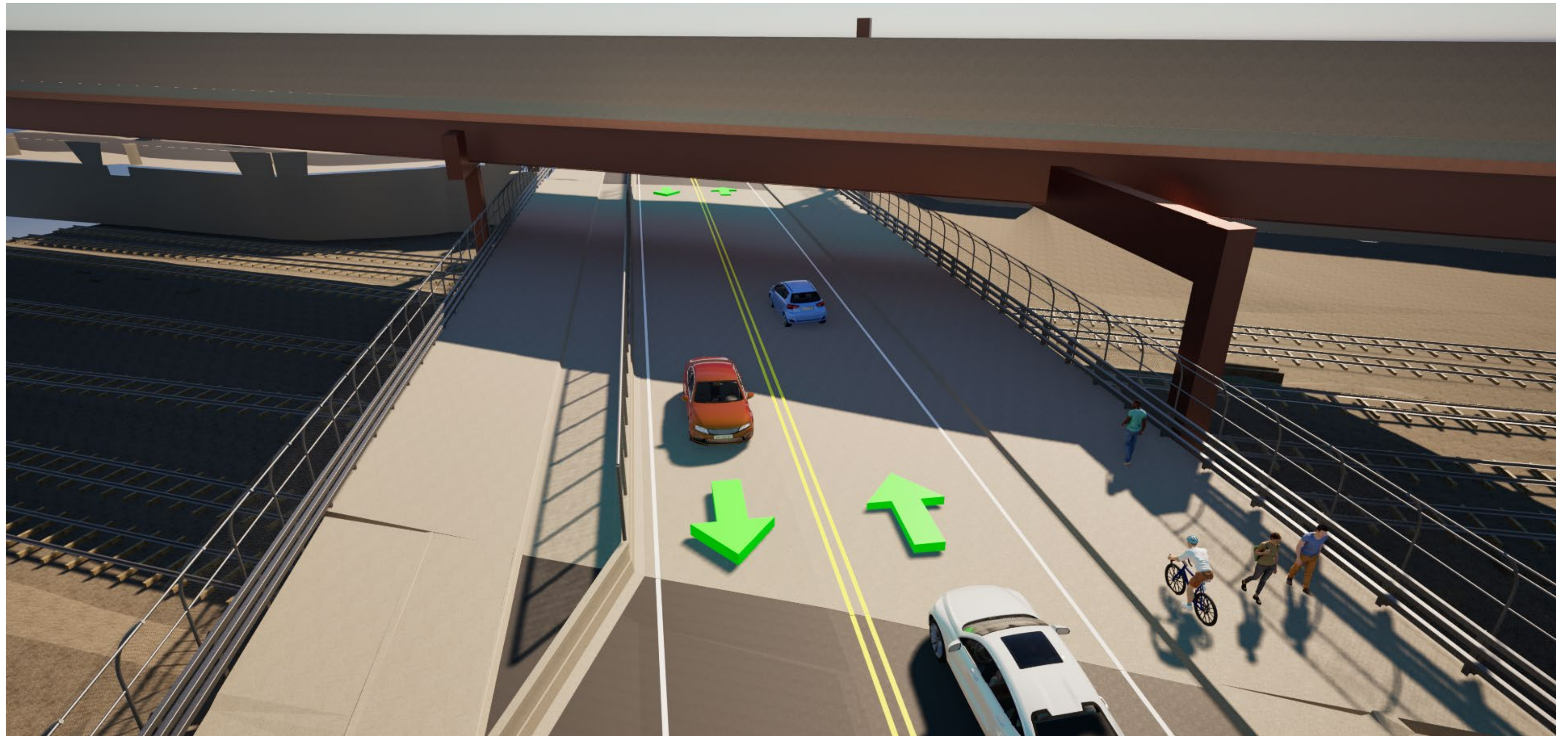
# Shift Traffic South & Close North Sidewalk



**Stage 3**

2 Lanes and 1 Sidewalk Open

# Complete North Sidewalk



**Stage 3**

2 Lanes and 1 Sidewalk Open

# Finished Roadway



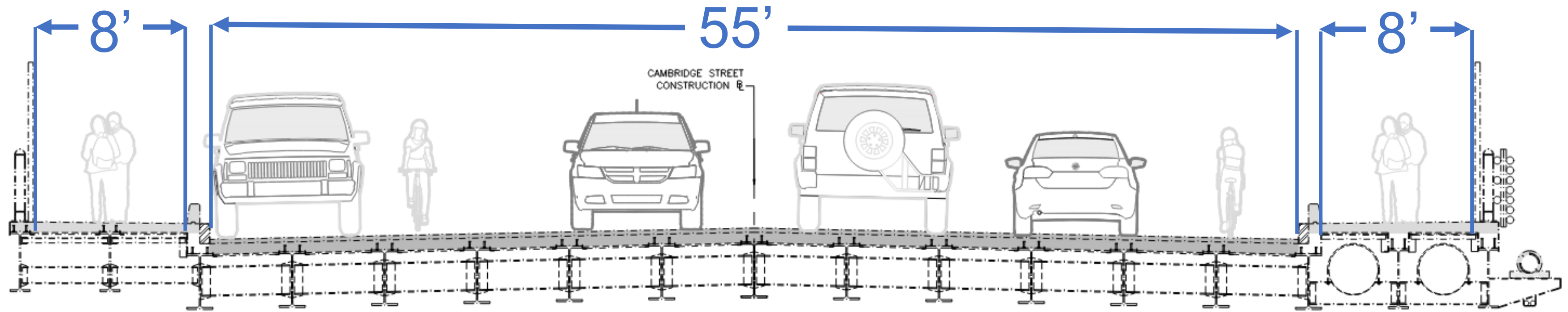
**Complete Project**

Fully Open to Traffic

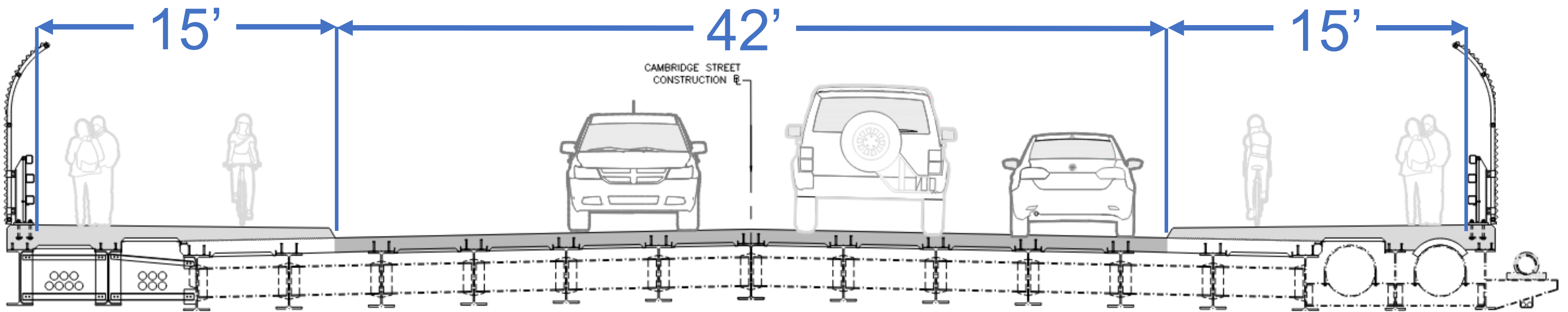


**How will the road user be affected?**

# Cambridge Street Improvements – Change to Bridge

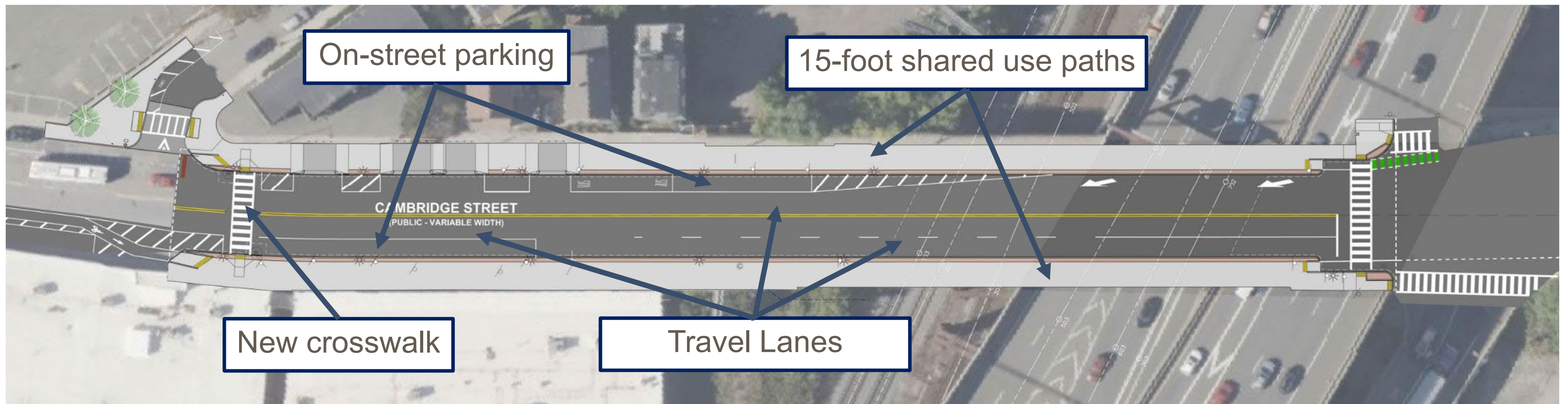
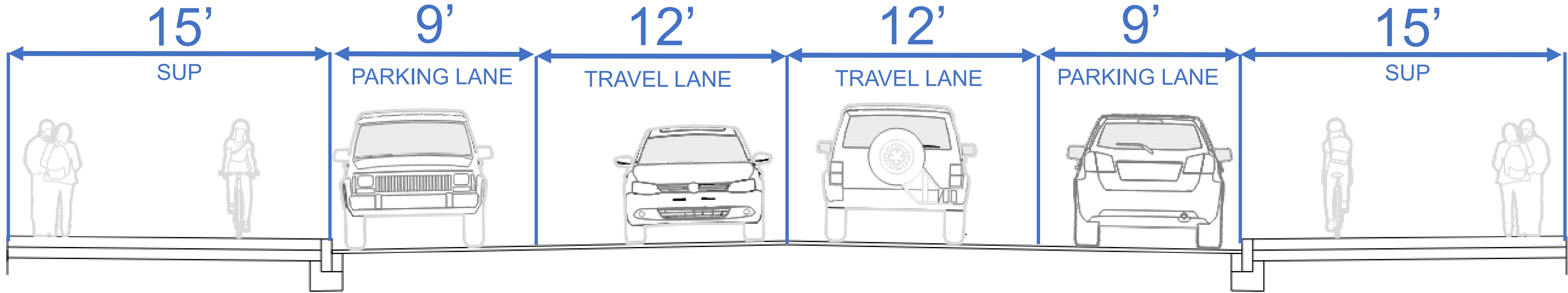


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**PROPOSED CROSS SECTION**

# Cambridge Street Improvements – Parking Retained



## Our next steps



May 13, 2026 (Today)  
Design Public Hearing



Complete Right of  
Way Acquisitions  
Summer 2027



Complete Design  
Fall 2027



Advertise Project  
End of 2027



Construction  
Commences  
Spring 2028



**How will we  
keep you  
informed?**

## How to reach us

- Submit email comments to:  
[MassDOTMajorProjects@dot.state.ma.us](mailto:MassDOTMajorProjects@dot.state.ma.us)
- For project information visit the MassDOT Upcoming Events for Highway Division web site at <http://www.mass.gov/orgs/highway-division/events> or used the QR Code:
- Submit written comments to:  
Carrie Lavalley, P.E., Chief Engineer  
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# Questions and answers

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***Thank You***

