



Route 114 Corridor Improvements North Andover Construction Phase Public Information Meeting #01

In-Person, Merrimack College, Arcidi Center

Wednesday, May 6, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

MassDOT Project No. 608095



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Thank you for joining our meeting. We appreciate your participation!

Introductions and Project Partners

Personnel	Organization	Role
Paul Maloy	MassDOT	District Construction Engineer
Dan Fielding	MassDOT	Legislative Affairs
Carmen Ilardi	MassDOT	Resident Engineer
Richard Desantis	MassDOT	Assistant District Cons. Eng.
Larry Cash	MassDOT	Project Manager
John Tamburini	GPI	Project Design Manager
Greg Oswitt	J.H. Lynch	Project Manager
Billy Parent	HNTB	Public Involvement
Grant Olear	WSP	Public Involvement

- **Project development and design:** MassDOT
- **Construction project owner and oversight:** MassDOT
- **Project Contractor:** J.H Lynch & Sons
- **Public Involvement:** HNTB and WSP

Agenda

- 01 Project Overview
- 02 Project Schedule
- 03 Construction Update
- 04 Public Involvement
- 05 Questions and Answers





Project Overview

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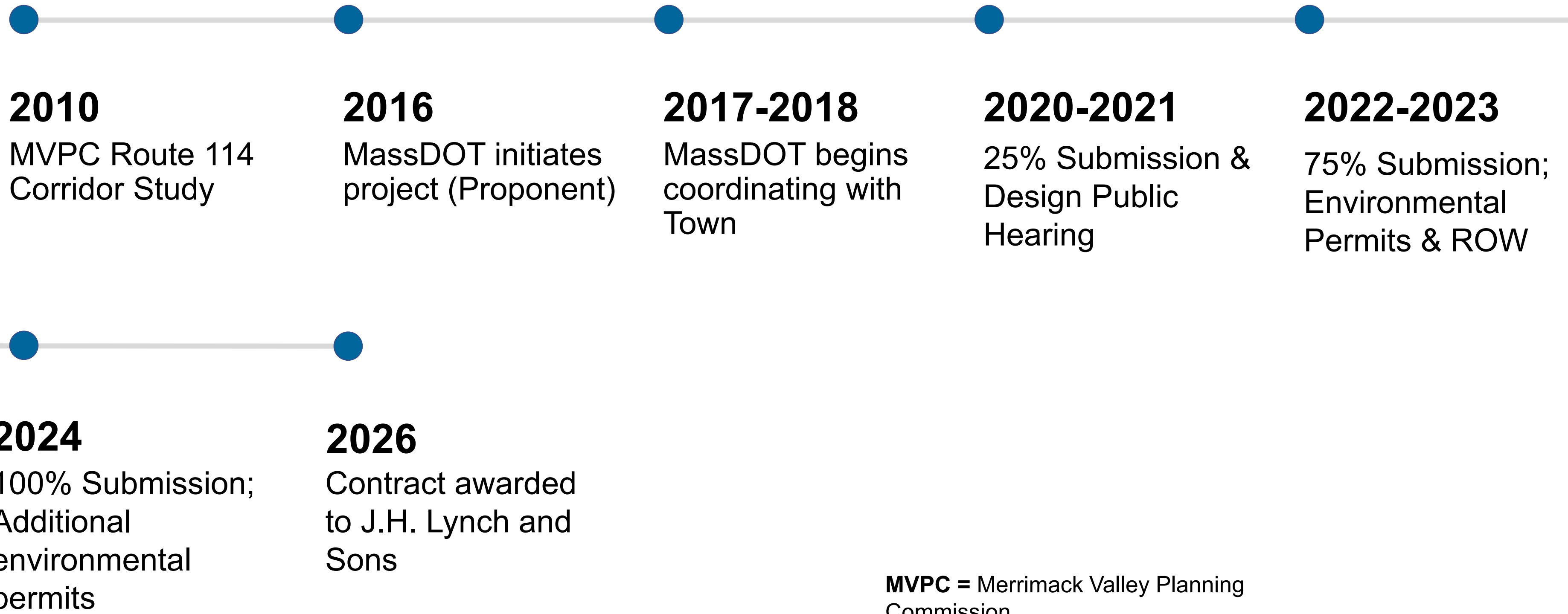
- 2.2-mile Route 114 safety and mobility improvements between Waverly Road and Willow/Mill Street in North Andover
- Roadway reconstruction with sidewalks and shared-use paths
- Reconstruction and installation of traffic signals along the corridor with signal timing improvements
- Enhanced connections to local streets, businesses, transit access, and Merrimack College
- Includes drainage, landscaping, hardscaping, and utility relocations



Project Location



Project History



MVPC = Merrimack Valley Planning Commission

ROW = Right of Way



Project Details

Funding Sources:

- Federal Aid (80%)
- State Funds (20%)

Project Delivery:

- Design-Bid-Build

Project Cost:

- \$50 million (does not include ROW or utility relocations)



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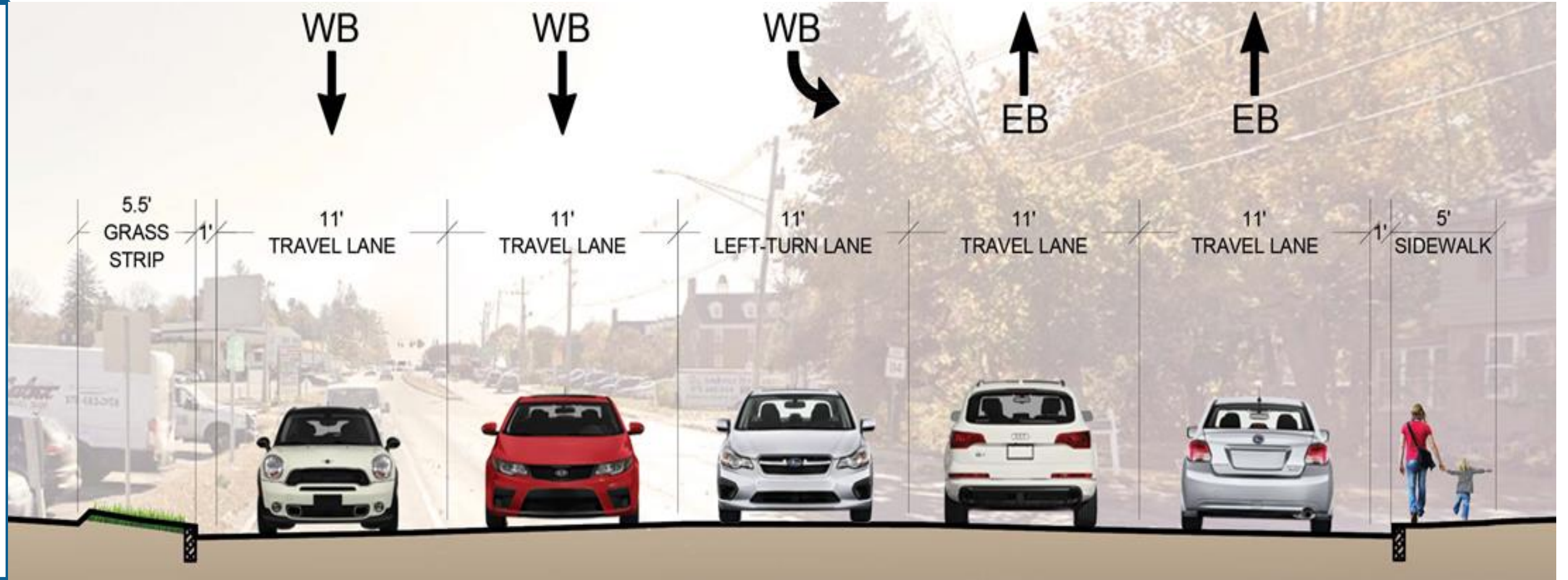
Project Needs and Goals

- Intersection and Corridor Safety
 - 2010 Corridor Study
 - 2014 Road Safety Audit (RSA) (Peters Street to Willow Street)
 - 2018 RSA (Waverly Road)
 - 2021 RSA (Willow Street / Mill Road)
- Deficient Pedestrian Accommodation
- No Bicycle Accommodation
- Traffic Congestion

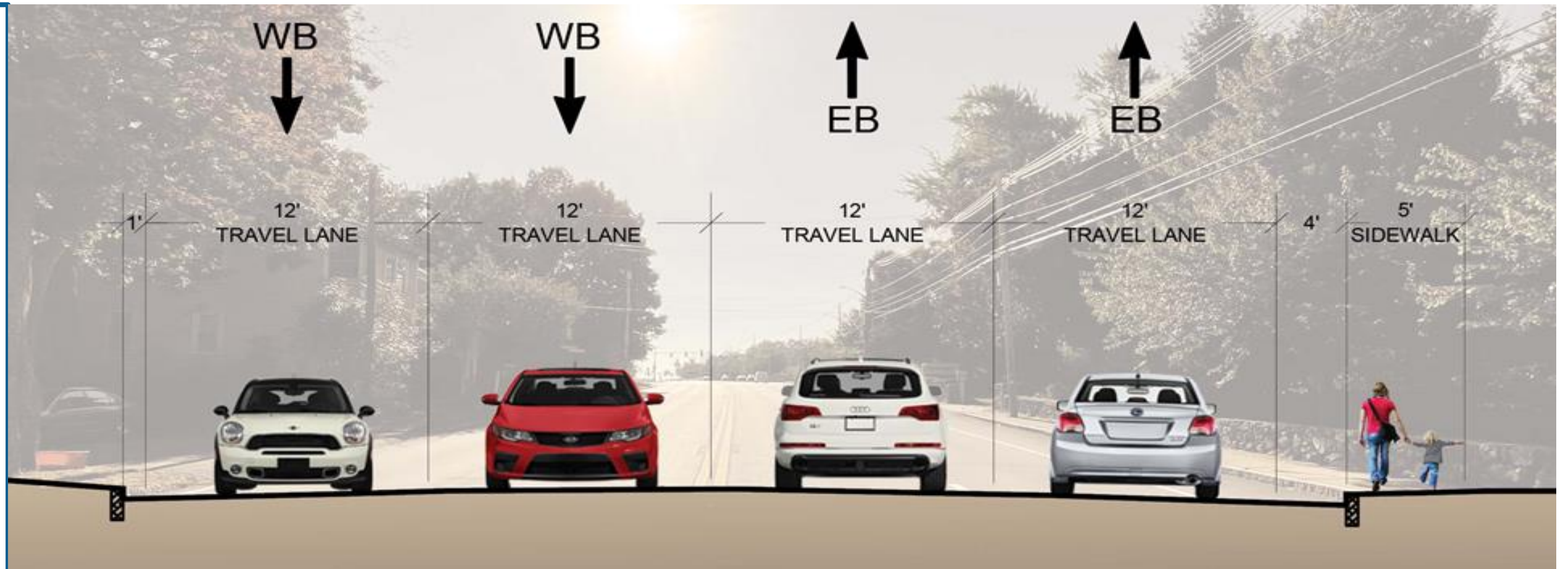


Existing Conditions

Existing 5-Lane Section



Existing 4-Lane Section

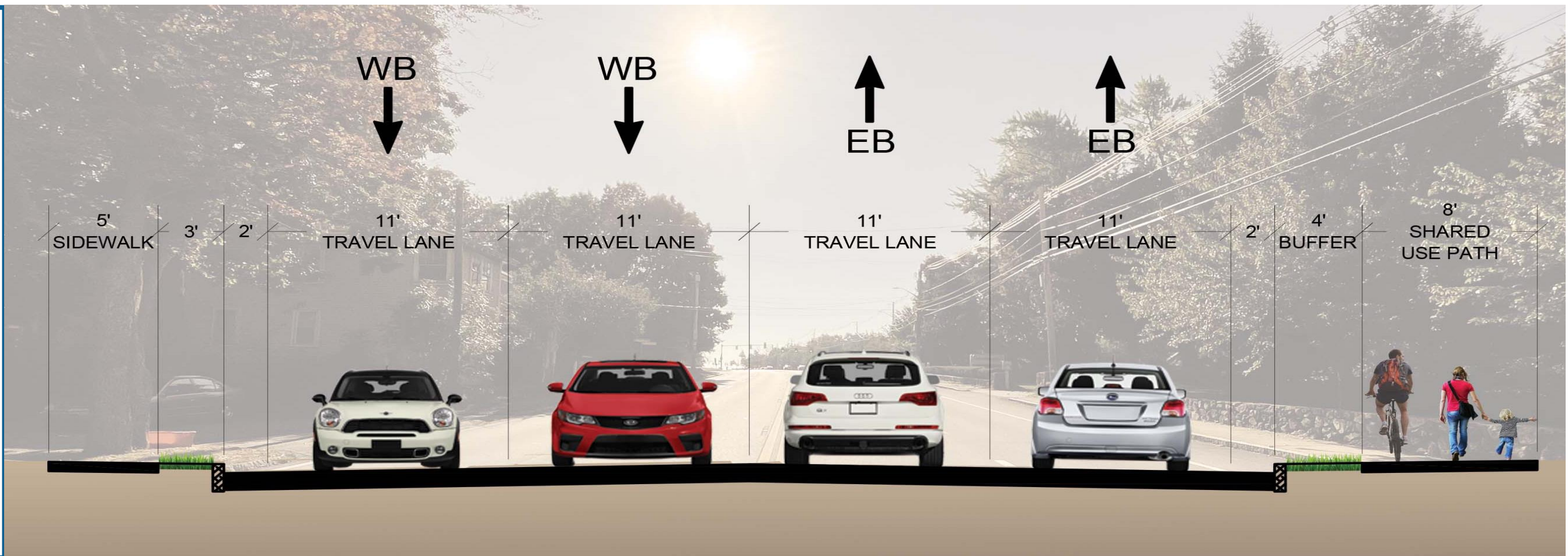


Planned Improvements

**Future
5-Lane Section:
Willow Street to
Andover Bypass**



**Future
4-Lane Section:
Andover Bypass to
Waverly Road**



Planned Improvements – Roadway Safety Highlights

- Additional turn movement and through lane capacity throughout the corridor
- Improved ingress and egress to private properties
- Traffic signal reconstructions and new installations at: Royal Crest Drive, Hillside Road
- Reconfiguration of the Andover Bypass intersection
- Median, landscaping, and hardscaping improvements
- Multi-modal design for all users – new signalized pedestrian crossings at all intersections

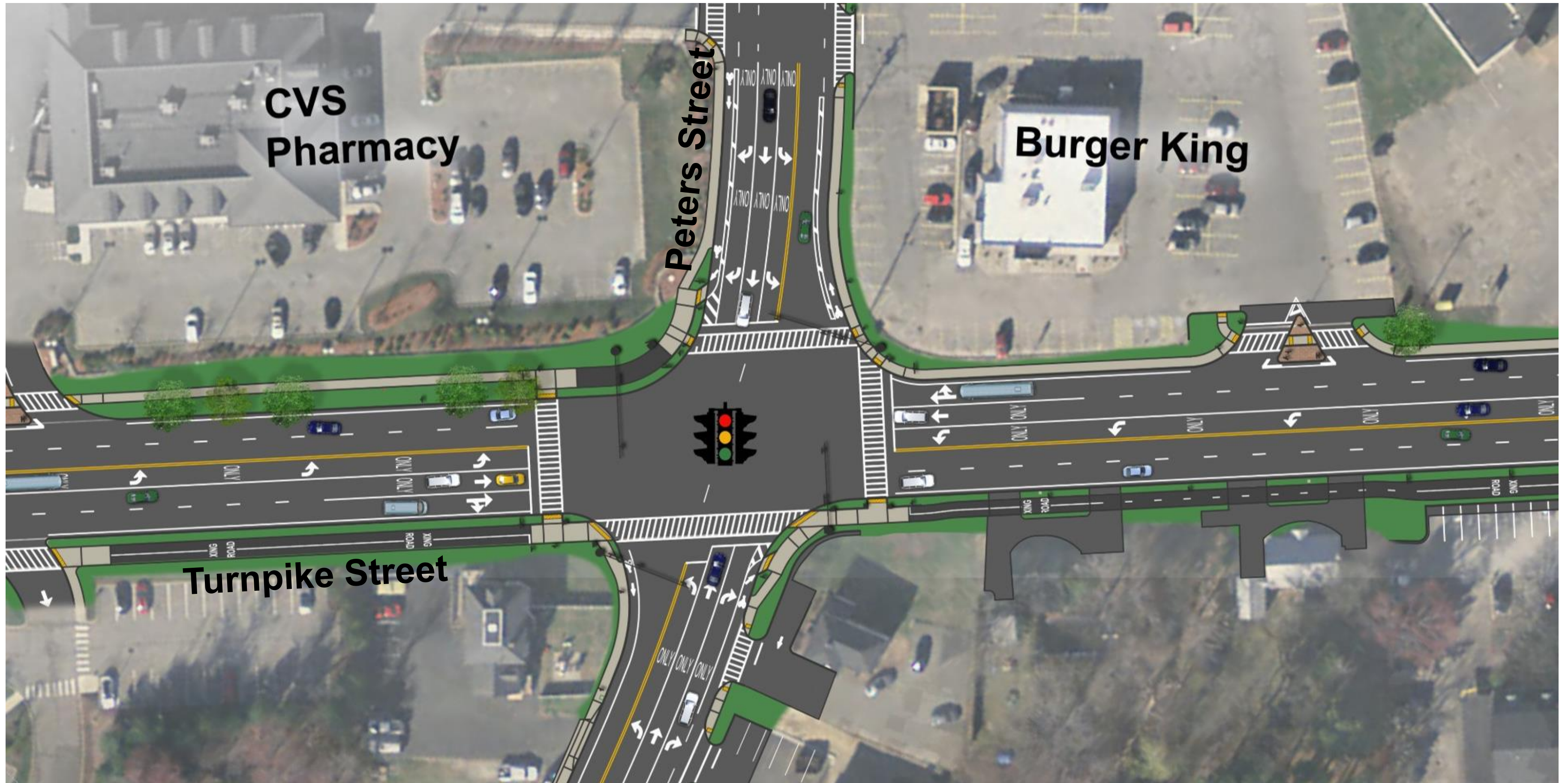


Planned Improvements – Peters Street, Andover Street

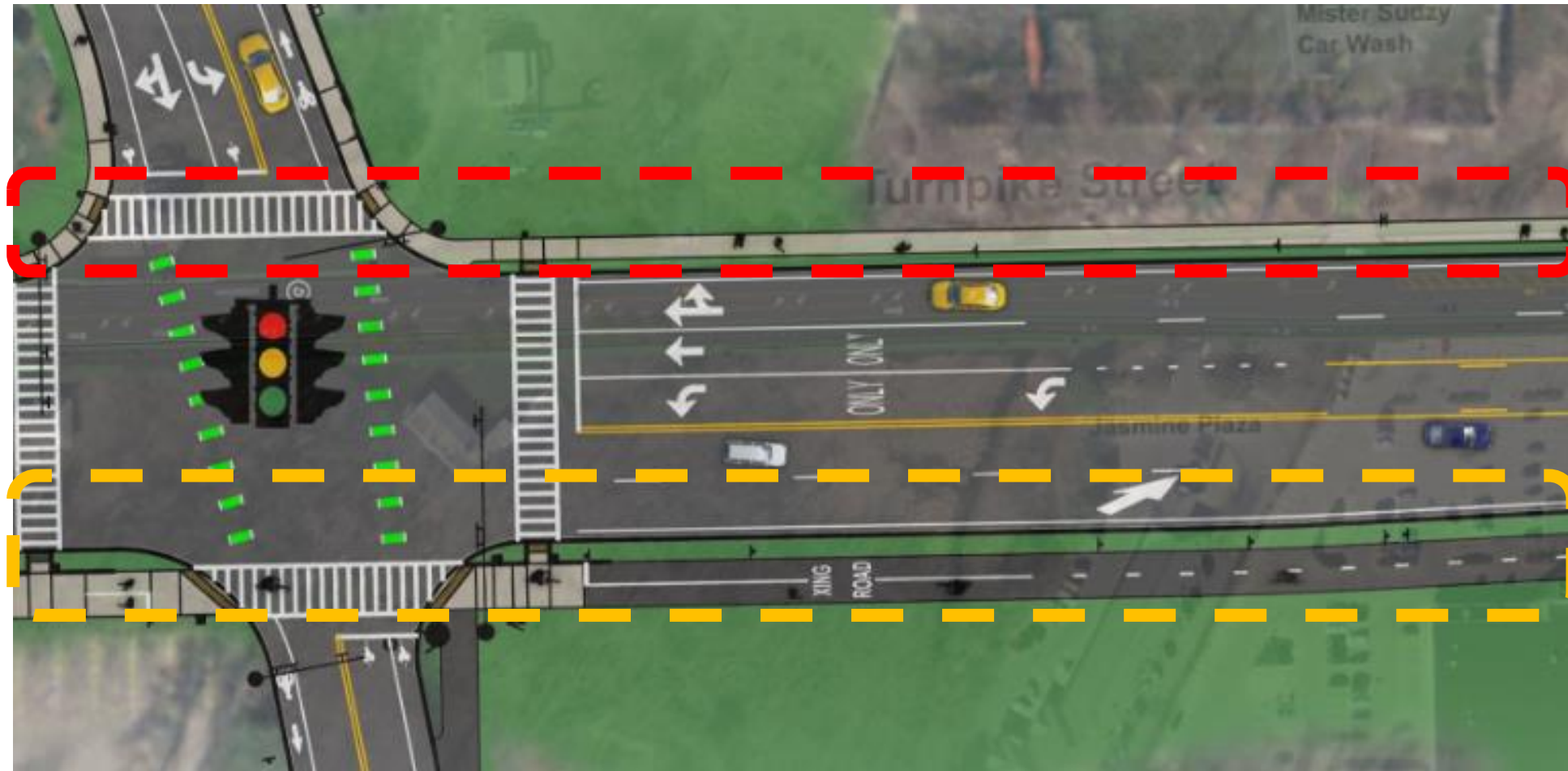
- Signalized pedestrian crossings, sidewalks, shared use path connections
- Additional turn lanes, channelizers, and safety improvements



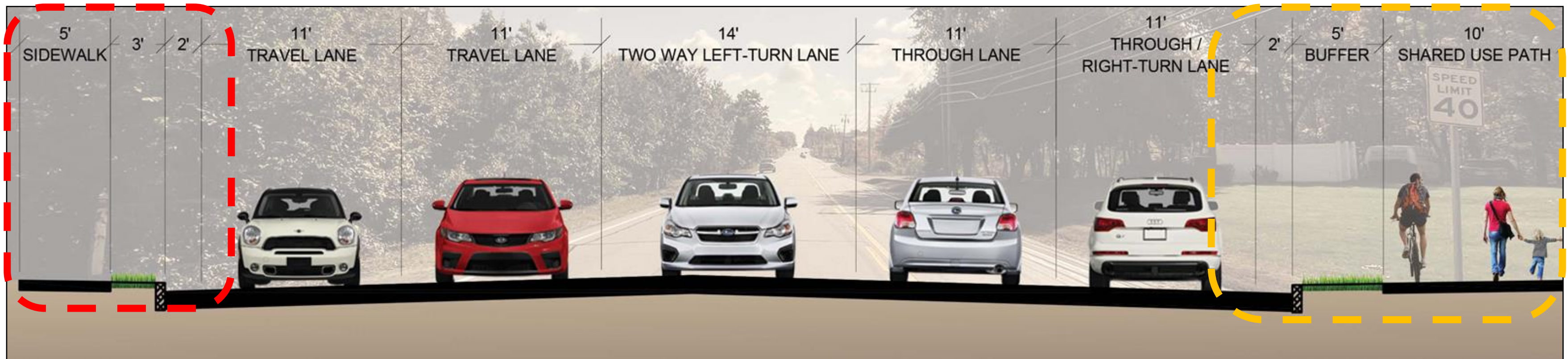
Planned Improvements – Peters Street



Pedestrian and Cyclist Improvements



- Pedestrian connectivity to neighborhoods and businesses abutting Route 114
- ADA-compliant pedestrian corridor
- Crosswalks at all traffic signals
- 2+ mile Shared Use Path
- Bike lanes on most Route 114 approaches



Environmental Permitting

- The project adheres to all relevant environmental requirements, including:
 - Wetlands Protection Act
 - MEPA
- Mitigations include:
 - Retaining walls
 - Wetland replications (5,526 square feet)
 - Stormwater mitigation improvements
 - Bioretention areas
 - Vegetated swales
 - Deep-sump catch basins
 - Restoration of all impacted areas





**Upcoming
Construction**

Construction Project Schedule

Construction Activity	Timeline
Site preparation, utilities, and site drainage installation	Spring 2026
Utilities and roadway construction	2027
Sidewalks, driveways, and median construction	2028
Shared use path construction	2029
Additional sidewalk, paving, and traffic signal work	2030
Landscaping, hardscaping, and final site improvements	2031
Substantial completion	Spring 2031

Early Construction Activity

Site Preparation – Spring and Summer 2026

- Traffic signage installation and surveying
- Utility work
 - Over 100 new utility poles to be installed in the project corridor
- Tree protection and erosion control
- Tree removal
 - Anticipated May 11 to June 5
 - Largest clearing footprint: Route 114 and Waverly Road intersection



Early Construction Activity

Building Demolition

Turnpike Street and Hillside Road

- Four total structures to be demolished for the roadway and shared-use path
 - 582, 599, 591, 607 Turnpike Street
- Abatement will be performed in advance; safety fencing will be installed around the perimeter
- ROW property compensation and coordination are complete
- Demolition anticipated in July 2026



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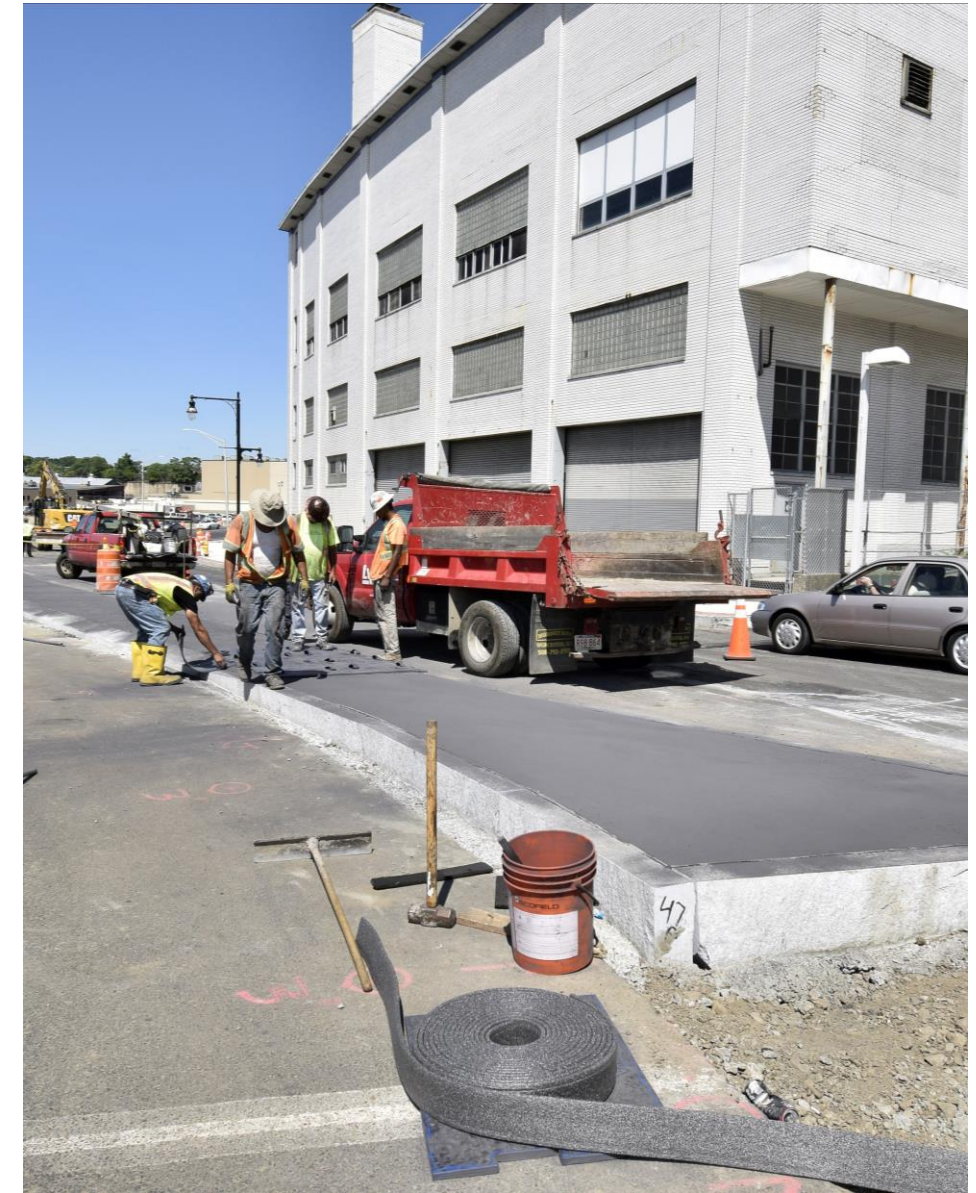
Test Pitting and Median Work

- Test pitting (soil sampling, utility investigation)
 - Various locations throughout the corridor
- Center median removal and temporary paving
 - Intersections throughout the corridor
 - Temporary paving
 - Traffic drums to be installed
- Anticipated June – September, 2026
- Advisories and outreach for specific locations and timeframes



Construction Requirements and Impacts

- Work hours are 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on weekdays, unless otherwise noted
- Travel lanes to be maintained during peak traffic hours of construction
 - Lane closures during workday non-peak hours
 - Road closures/detours are not anticipated
- Access to businesses and residences to be maintained at all times or otherwise coordinated
- Existing pedestrian and transit facilities will be accommodated throughout construction
- Minimize night work near residential areas





Public Involvement

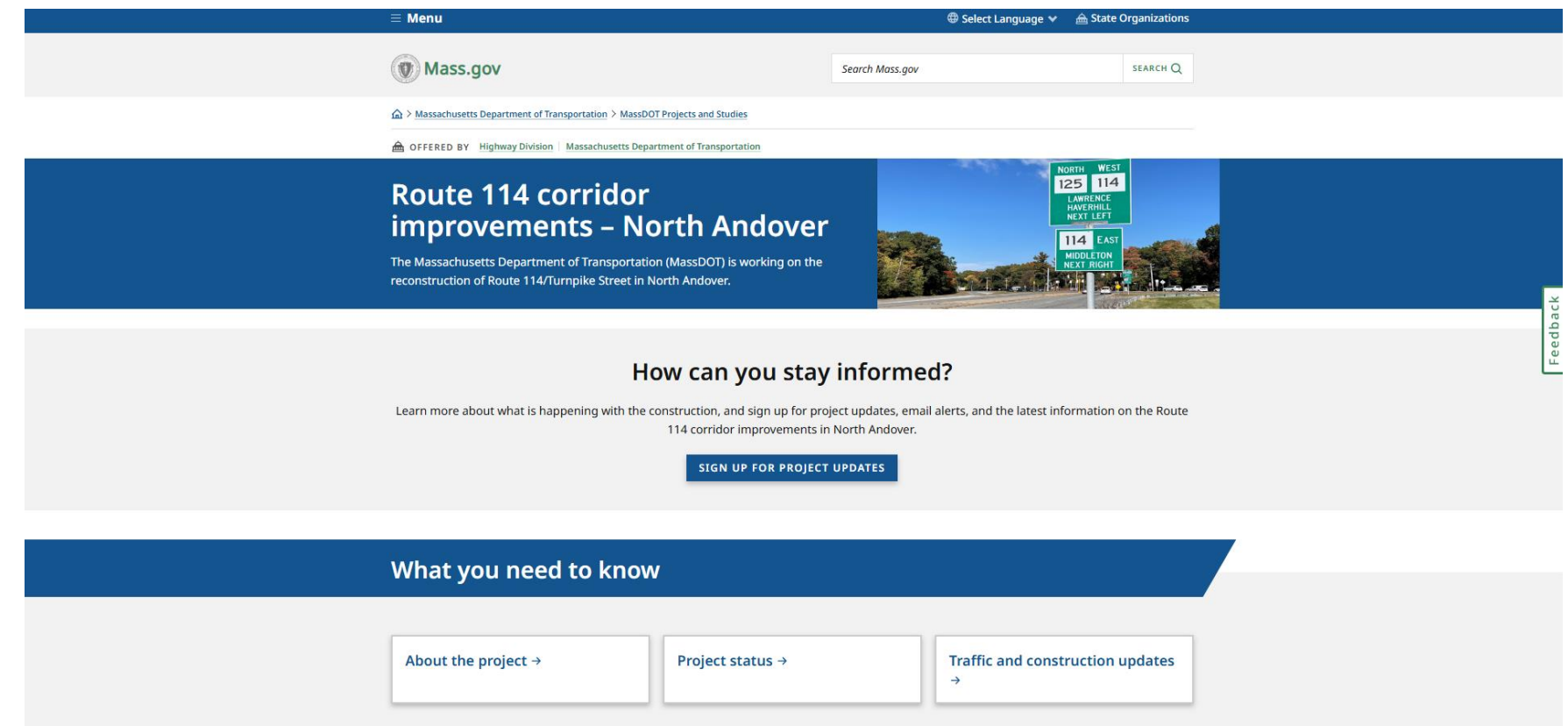
Public Involvement Plan

- **Stakeholder List**
 - Town/First Responder Contacts
 - Businesses, Residents, EJ, Stakeholder Groups
 - Continually updated throughout the Project

- **Notification Materials**
 - Flyers
 - Newspaper Ads
 - Public/Legislative Briefings
 - Press Advisories
 - Social Media
 - Accessible and multilingual

- **Abutter Coordination**
 - Property Impacts
 - Traffic Impacts

- **Third-Party Coordination**
 - Collaboration with Town of North Andover
 - First-Responders
 - Merrimack College
 - Adjacent projects
 - MeVa Coordination



Public Involvement – Project Communication

- **Project Hotline**
 - Available 24/7
 - 978-906-8694
- **Project Email**
 - NorthAndoverRoute114@dot.state.ma.us
- **Stakeholder Email Updates**
 - Expected monthly or as needed
 - Flyer development/distribution as-needed
- **Web Updates**
 - Project Website:
<https://www.mass.gov/route-114-corridor-improvements-north-andover>
 - Construction and traffic advisories
 - Public Information Meeting material and recordings



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What is happening?

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) will host an in-person Public Information Meeting to provide the public an update on the Route 114 Corridor Improvements. The meeting will be held at the Merrimack College Arcidi Center at 20 Rockridge Road in Andover, starting at 6:30 p.m. MassDOT will present the project background, introduce the project's construction team, review the upcoming construction activities and schedule, and provide a public involvement overview. A presentation will be followed by a question-and-answer session and comment period. Public input will be considered to the maximum extent practicable, and the meeting will be recorded and posted online.

How will this affect you?

This project involves roadway safety, pedestrian, cyclist, and traffic signal improvements along the Route 114 corridor between Waverly Road and Willow/Mill Street in North Andover. The work includes the reconstruction of Route 114/Turnpike Street, and the replacement and addition of sidewalks, curb ramps, and shared-use paths, with connections to local streets, businesses, and Merrimack College. This project also includes improvements to roadway drainage, landscaping, hardscaping, and the relocation of utilities within the corridor. For more information and to reach the project team, please visit: <https://www.mass.gov/route-114-corridor-improvements-north-andover>

When

Wednesday, May 6, 2026
Starting at 6:30 p.m.

Where

Merrimack College, Arcidi Center
20 Rockridge Road, Andover, MA 01810
Register online here:
www.mass.gov/orgs/highway-division/events



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For adequate time to process such request, please make them as early as possible, ideally 10 days prior to the event.

Project inquiries may also be emailed to DOTHighwayDesign@dot.state.ma.us. Please submit any written statements regarding the proposed undertaking to: Carrie A. Lavallee, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: PROJECT MANAGEMENT, PROJECT FILE NO. 608095

Questions and Answers



- Approach the microphone and wait your turn to ask questions or make comments.



- Please identify yourself by name and affiliation and spell your last name before your question or comment.



- Please share only 1 question or comment at a time, limited to 2 minutes, to allow others to participate.



- Comments may also be submitted to the project team electronically at NorthAndoverRoute114@dot.state.ma.us or via US Mail to 519 Appleton Street, Arlington, MA 02476, Attention: Project Management, Project File No. 608095; Contract No. 131997.

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Thank you!

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