






VFW Parkway Providence Highway Corridor Action Plan

June 30, 2021

Final Community Meeting

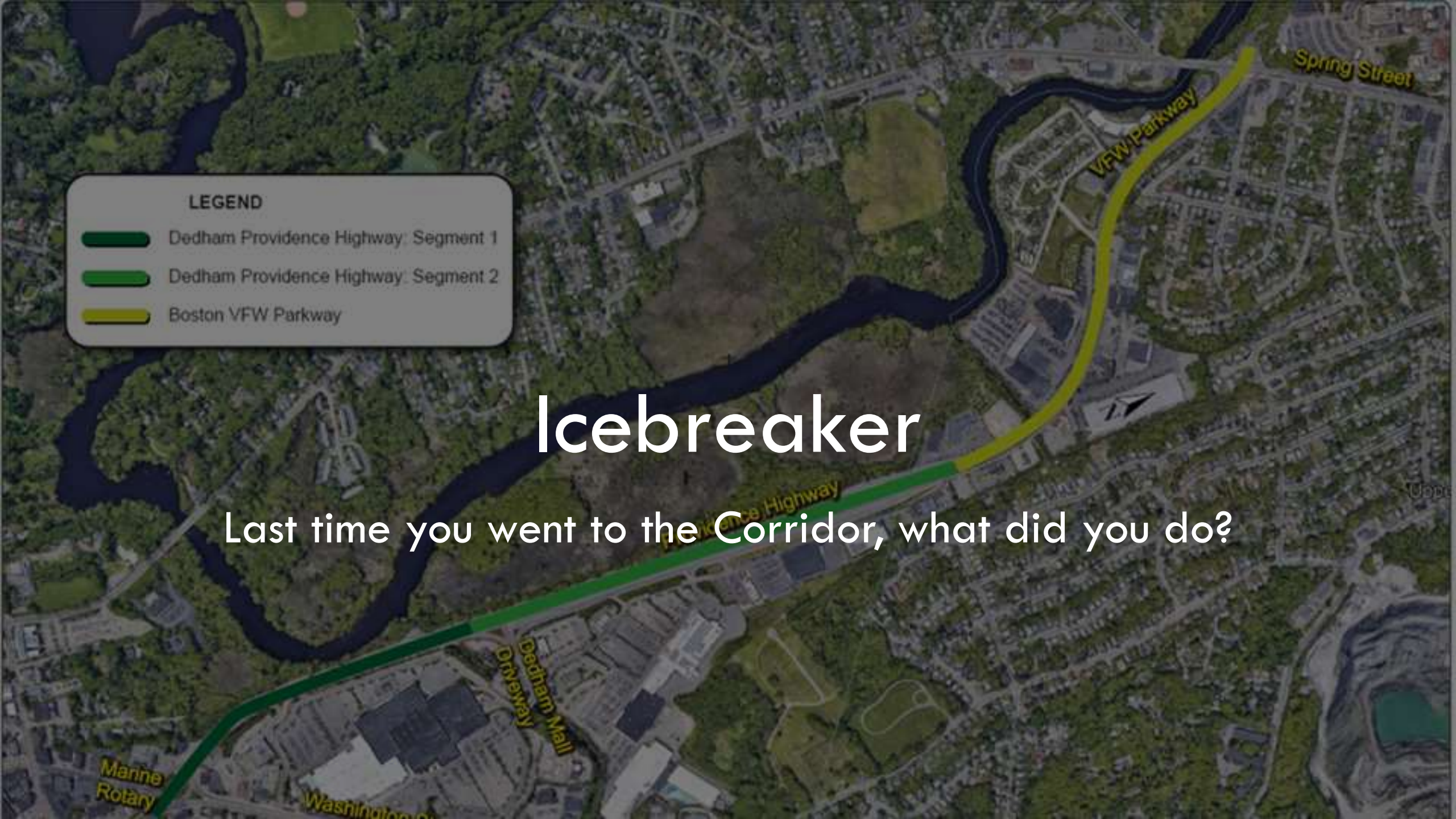


LEGEND

-  Dedham Providence Highway: Segment 1
-  Dedham Providence Highway: Segment 2
-  Boston VFW Parkway

Icebreaker

Last time you went to the Corridor, what did you do?





VIRTUAL MEETING

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1. All participants will join the meeting with muted microphones.
2. Please rename yourself to include your first name, last name and affiliation.
3. Please do not unmute and mute yourself.
4. During the presentation, you may use the “chat” feature to raise questions or provide comments. We will address questions after presenting the concepts.
5. If you are on the phone, you can use *9 to raise your hand.
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Tonight's Meeting

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Welcome and Introductions | 7:00-7:10 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Action Plan Recap | 7:15-7:20 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Long-Term Improvements | 7:20-7:40 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Q&A | 7:40-7:55 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Short-Term Improvements | 7:55-8:15 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Q&A | 8:15-8:30 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Next Steps | 8:30 |



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Welcome

• Technical Team

- Town of Dedham
- Boston Planning and Development Agency
- Central Transportation Planning Staff
- Metropolitan Area Planning Council

VFW Parkway/
Providence Highway
Corridor Action Plan



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Welcome

- Who is in the Room? Respond to the voluntary Zoom Poll
 - Where do you live?
 - What is your age?
 - What gender do you identify with?
 - What race or ethnicity do you identify with?
 - How do you typically travel through the corridor area?
 - How did you hear about this meeting?



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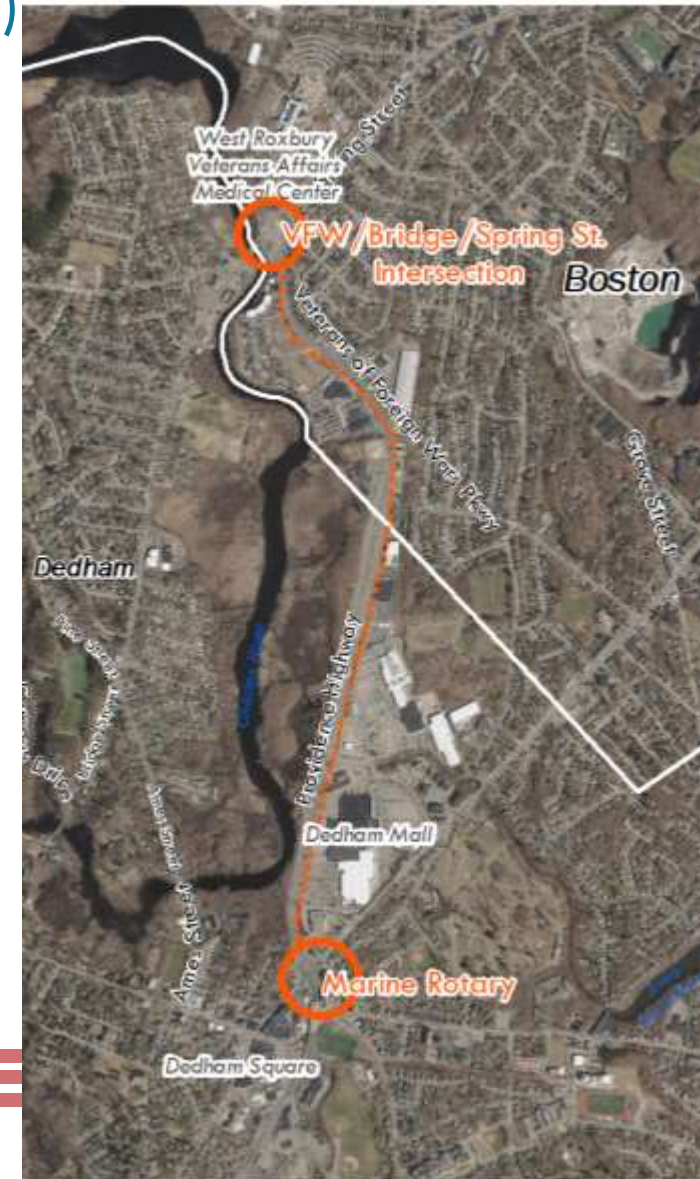
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Action Plan

(i.e., what are we doing?)

- Develop Action Plan to transform the car-centric corridor into a route for everyone and meet the needs of local residents, local businesses, bicyclists, pedestrians, and transit riders, as well as motorists.
- Short- and long-term recommendations for safe access to shops, schools, neighborhoods, transit, and recreational areas—including the Charles River and Mother Brook

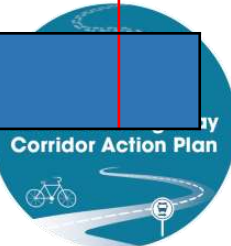
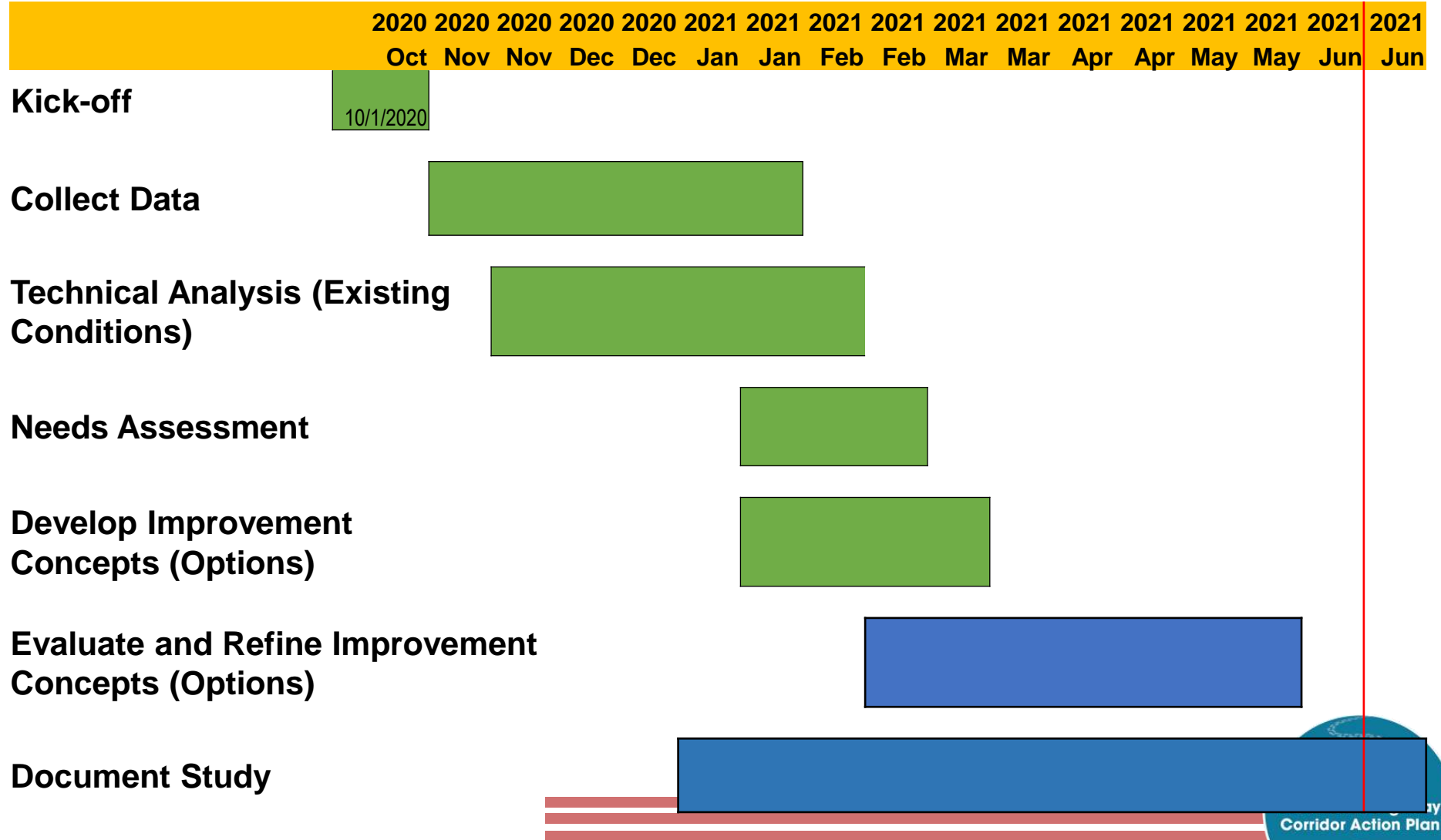


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Project Timeline



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Corridor Strengths

- Opportunities for multimodal transportation
- Opportunities to make best use of recreational resources
- Connections to economic opportunities (major commercial corridor)
- Opportunities to improve quality of life of neighborhoods
- Opportunities to transform wide roadway for current and future uses



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Corridor Weaknesses

- Very car-centric corridor
- Minimal use of existing recreational/open space resources
- Lack of pedestrian and bicycle facilities
- Wide roadway—unsafe for pedestrian and bicycles
- Unwelcoming streetscape/landscape



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Corridor Needs

- Transform corridor into a route for all users
- Upgrade corridor infrastructure to improve safety
- Redesign roadway to calm traffic and reduce speeds
- Provide welcoming streetscape to enhance place making and presence attractive to all modes
- Provide connections to economic opportunities and recreational areas



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Long- and Short-Term Concepts

- Please use the chat function to note comments or questions on the concepts
- After presenting concepts, we will address questions raised in the chat



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Key Concept Map



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Long-Term Improvements



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Marine Rotary Long-Term Improvements: Concept 1



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Marine Rotary

Long-Term Improvements: Concept 2

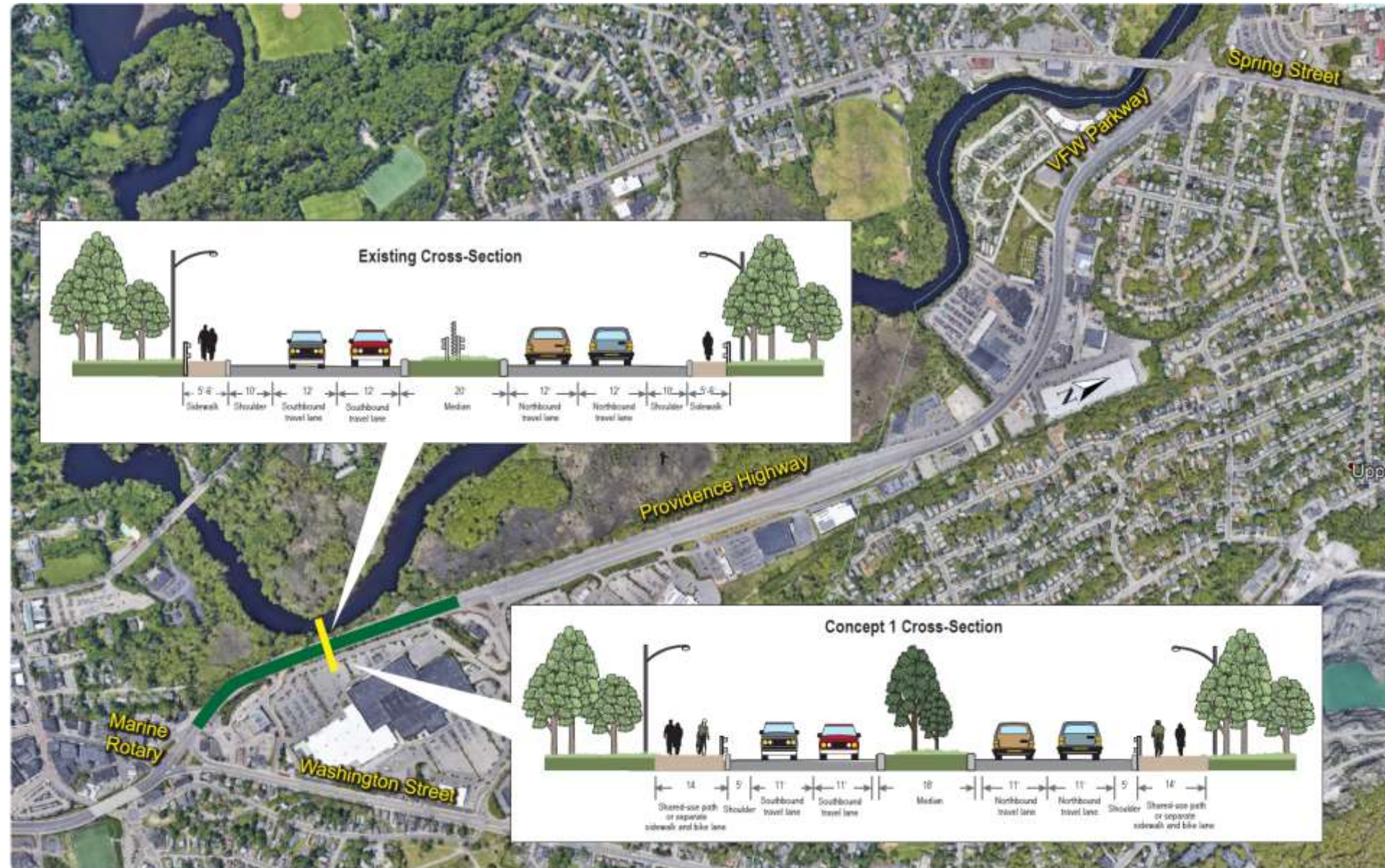


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Providence Highway Segment 1 Long-Term Improvements: Concept 1

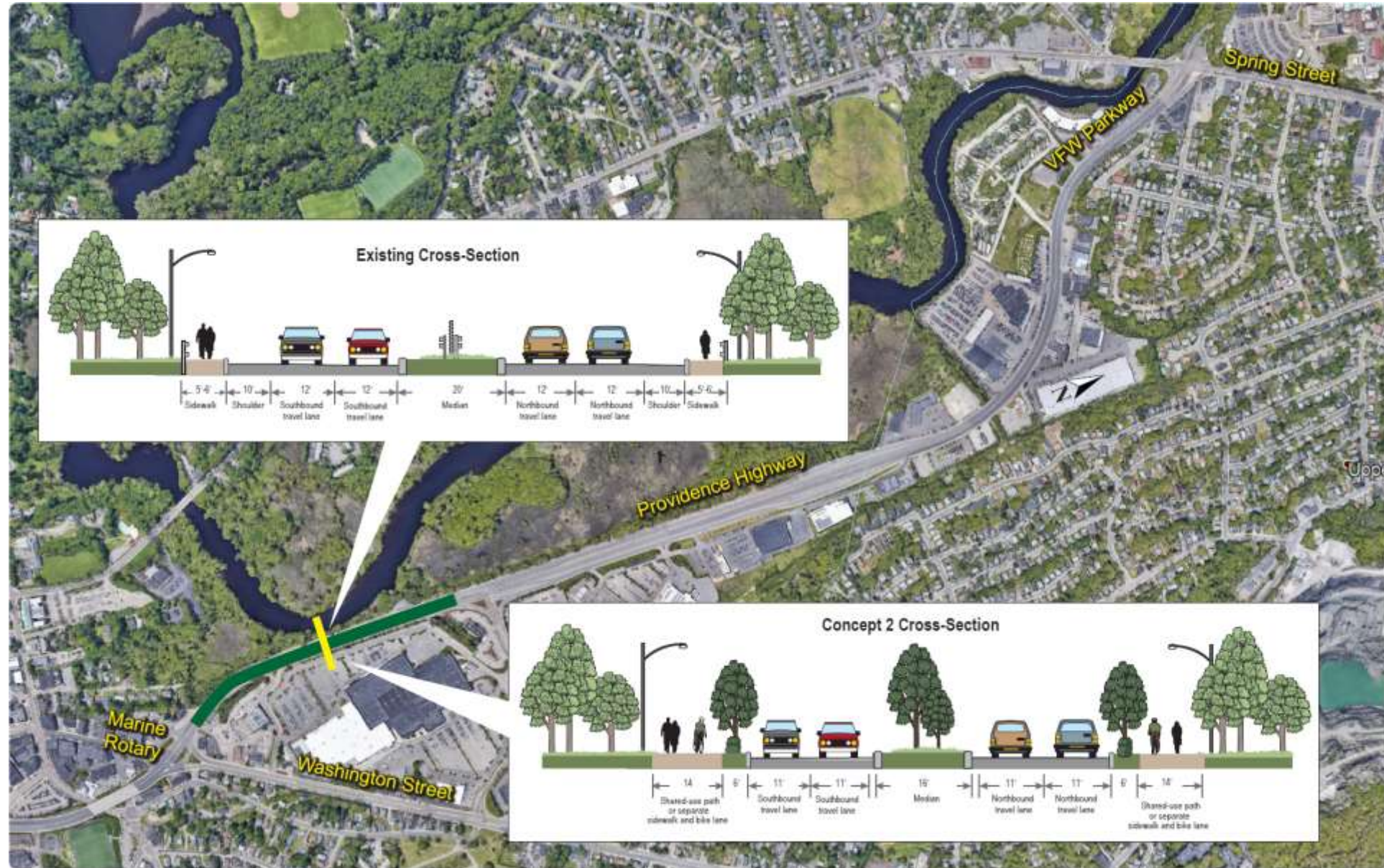


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Dedham Mall Driveway Long-Term Improvements: Concept 1



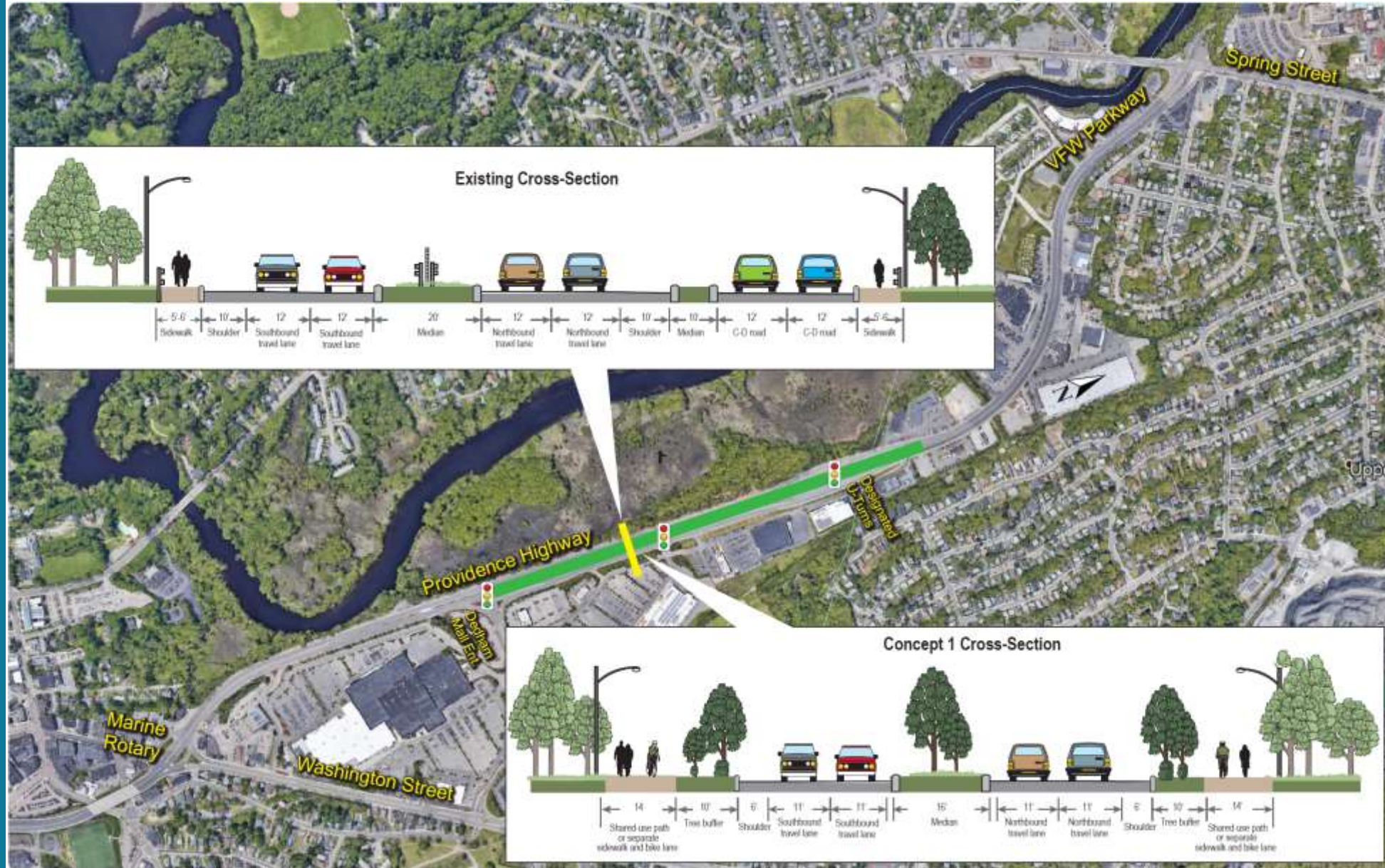
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Long-Term Improvements: Concept 1

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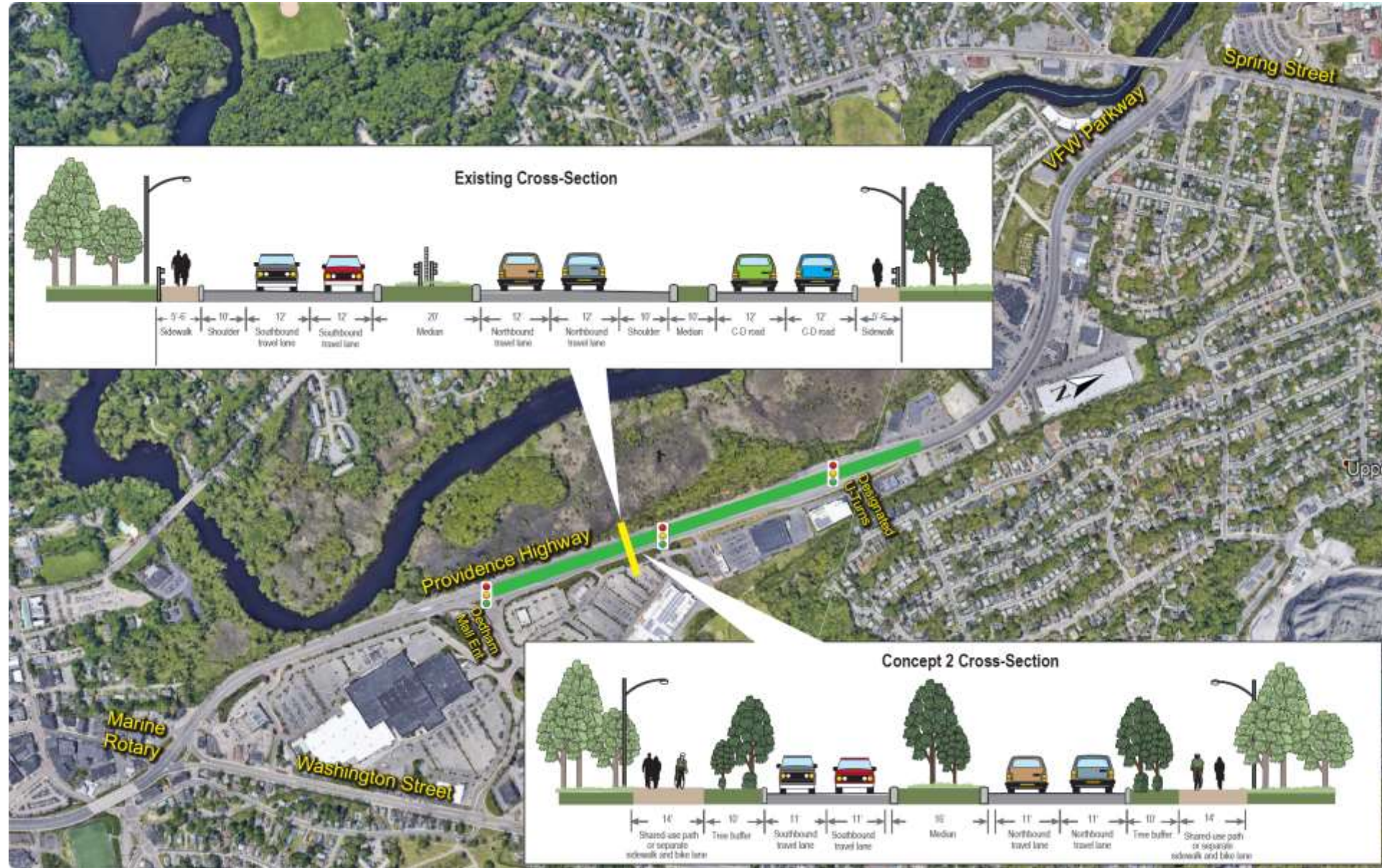
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Long-Term Improvements: Concept 2

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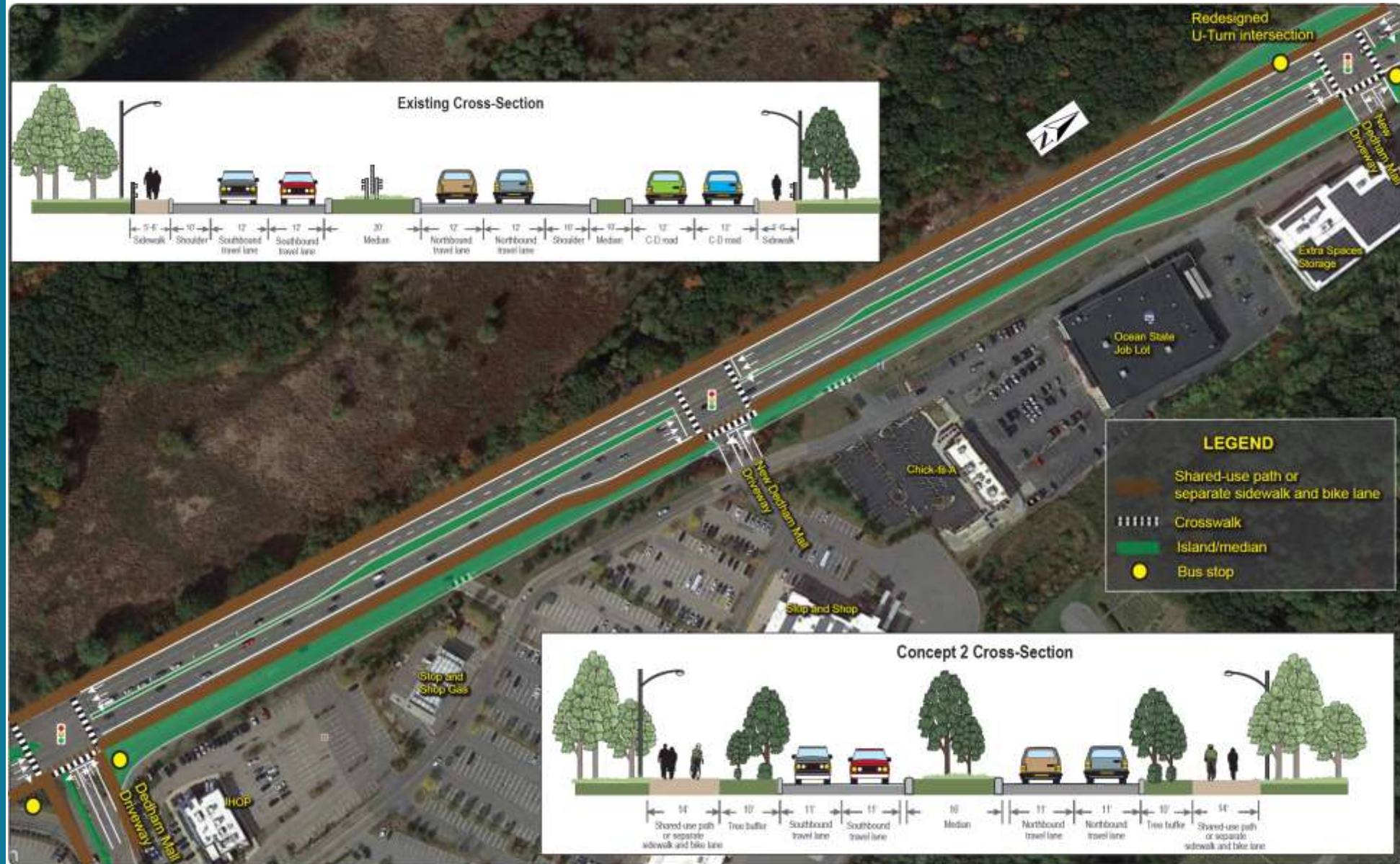


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Providence Highway Segment 2 Long-Term Improvements: Concept 2



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Designated U-Turns Intersection Long-Term Improvements



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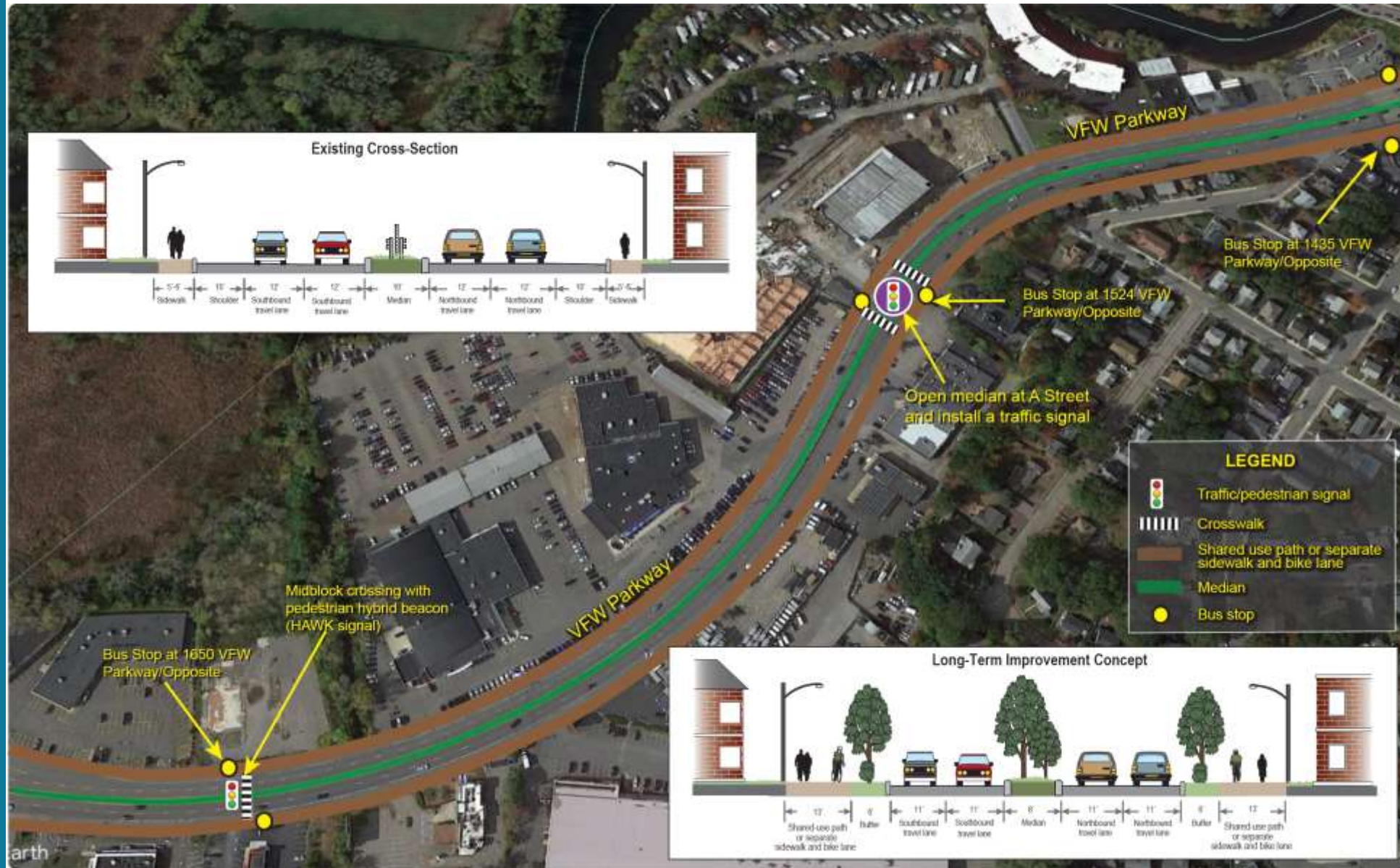


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Marine Rotary

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Providence Highway Segment 1 Short-Term Improvements



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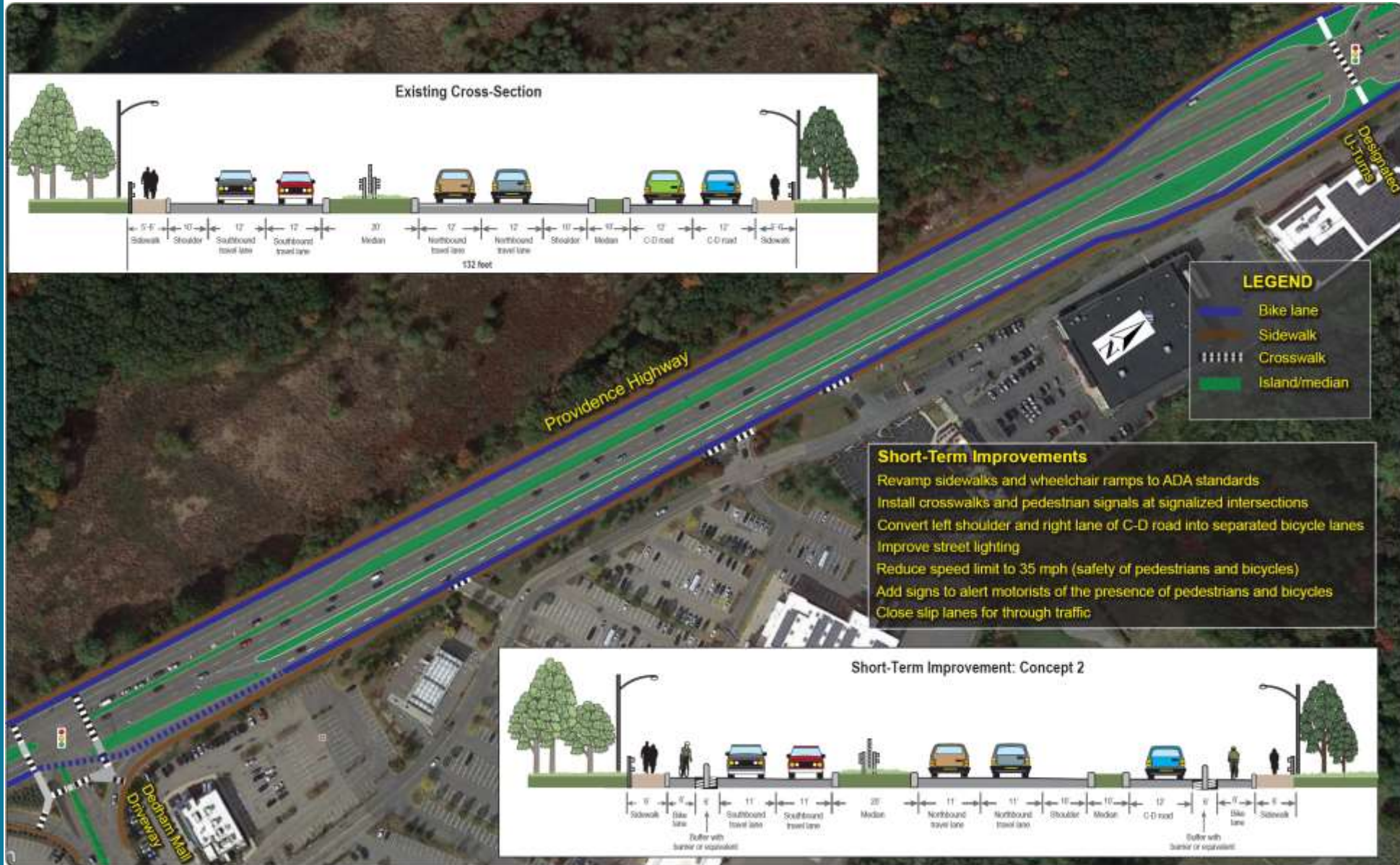
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Providence Highway Segment 2

Short-Term Improvements: Concept 1



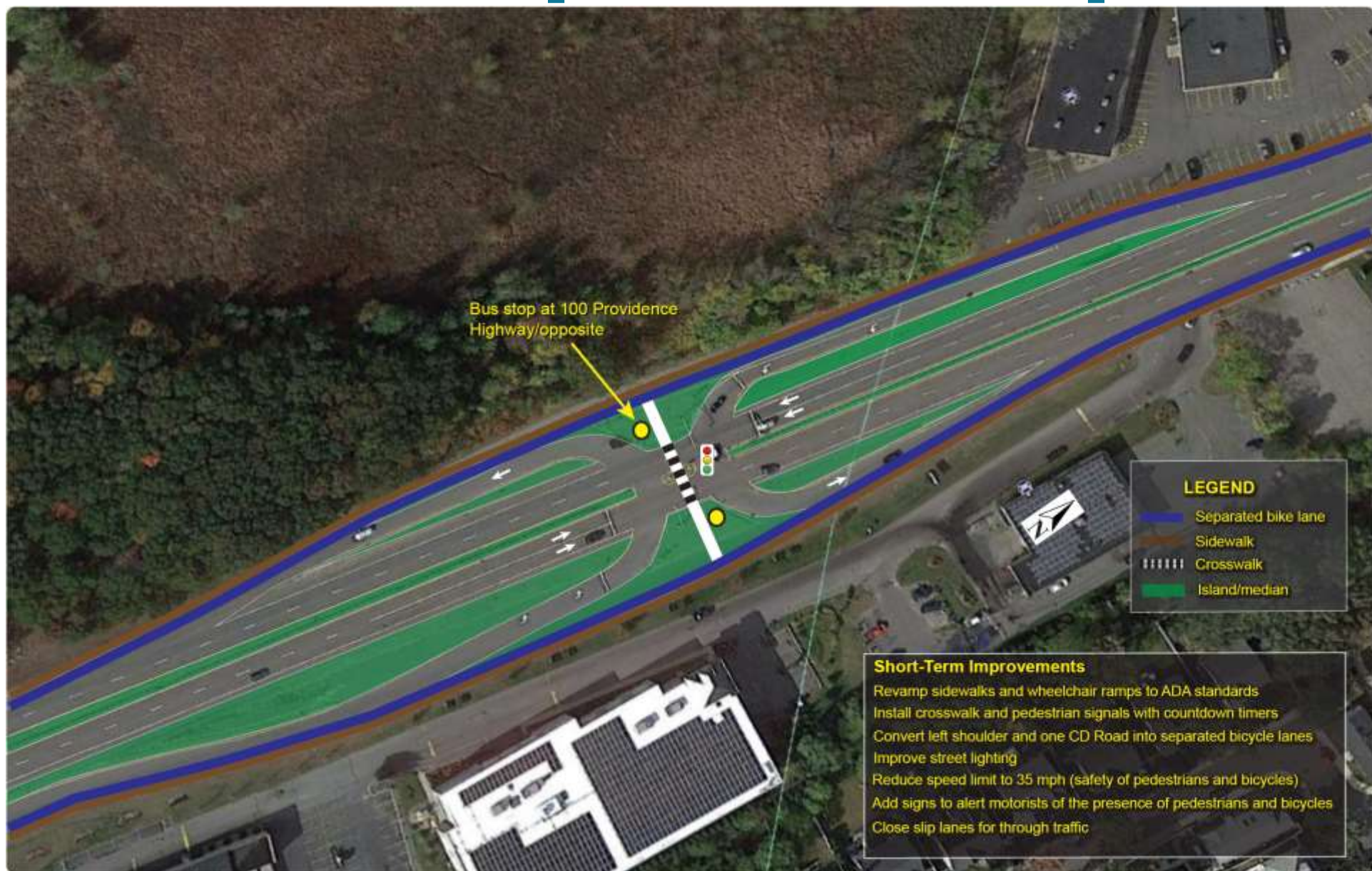
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Short-Term Improvements: Concept 1

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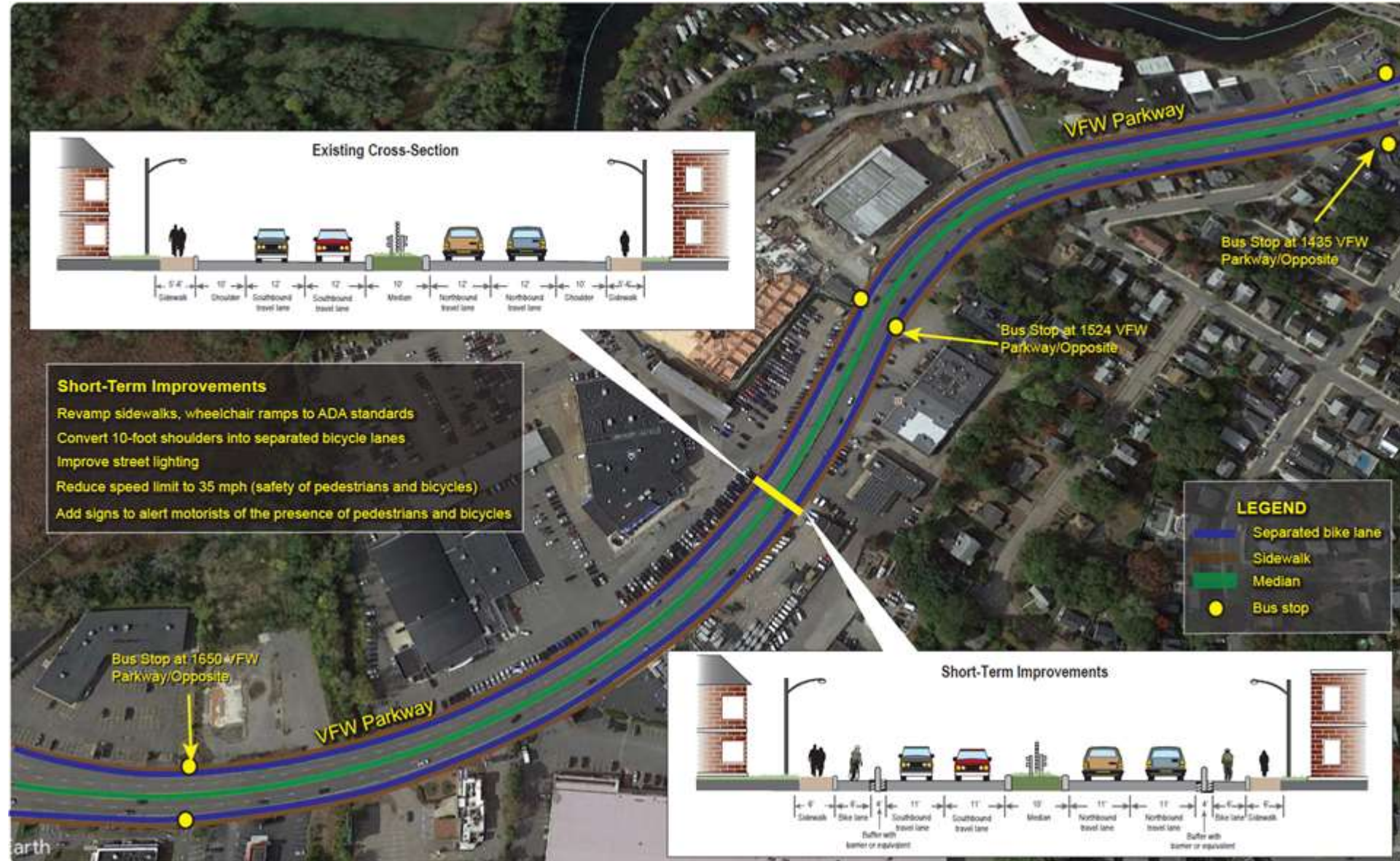


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VFW Parkway (Boston Segment) Short-Term Improvements



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Next Steps

- Accept comments through July 14
- Complete final report and recommendations by August (to be posted on Project webpage: <https://mapc.ma/VFWProvidenceStudy>)
- Explore feasibility of additional recreational opportunities
- Funding to implement short term improvements & continue work on long term improvements

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