Practical Implementation Strategies

Real World Planning and Design for Active Transportation

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- Introduction
- Real World Tactics
 - Pedestrian Environments
 Bicycling & Non-Motorized Systems
- An "Intermodal" Example

Introduction

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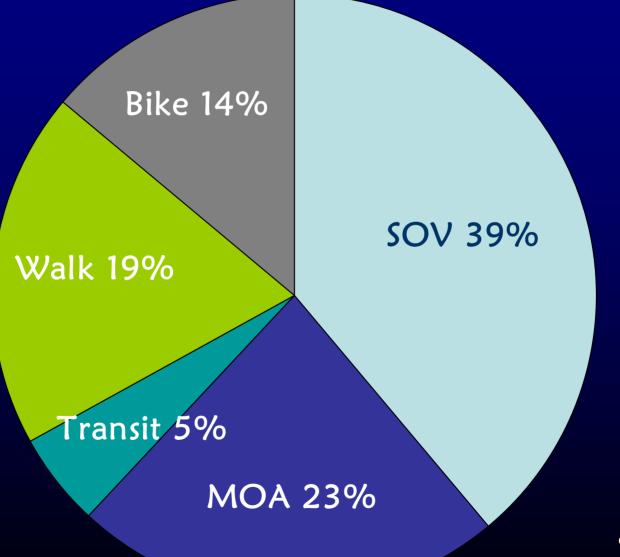


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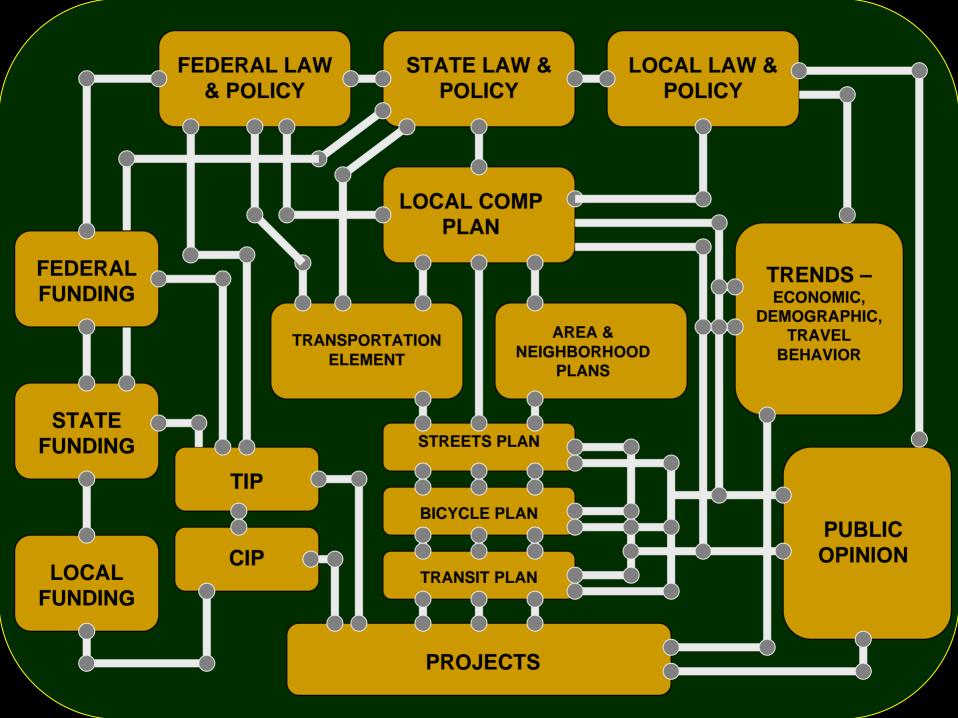
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Institutional Setting





3 Popular Planning Myths

...and how to dispel them

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We don't have time to do it right.

(But we will have time to do it over.)

Planning Myths



We need to finish this plan once and for all.

Planning Myths



Planning is iterative... ...it is never finished or complete.

Never start planning or design until you know for sure you have the money to build the project.

Planning Myths

Money comes to plans...

...much faster than plans come to money.





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Real World Tactics

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Pedestrians:

- 2-4 mph speeds
- 0.25-mile avg. trip distance
- ADA and local guidelines





Bicyclists:

- 5-30 mph speeds
- 2.5-mile avg. trip distance
- AASHTO facility guidelines

Real World Tactics

- Pedestrian Environments
- Bicycle & Non-Motorized Networks



Pedestrian Environments

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Pedestrian Environments

- What are pedestrians?
- Types of pedestrians
- Types of pedestrian environments
- Setting clear priorities
- Distinguishing urban from suburban design
- Understanding the crossings challenge
- Safe routes to school

Types of Walking

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Types of Walking

Rambling

- Utilitarian Walking
- Strolling, Lingering
- Promenading
- Special Events

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Strolling & Lingering



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Special Events

Types of Pedestrian Environments



Pedestrian Environments

"Pedestrian Friendly"

Pedestrian Environment Continuum

Friendlines Pedestrian

Pedestrian Place/District

Pedestrian Supportive Environment

Pedestrian Tolerant Environment

Pedestrian Intolerant Environment

Pedestrian Place/District

- Mixed use with retail
- Gathering place identifiable as a PLACE
- Significant pedestrian presence
- Motor vehicles present, do not dominate
- Supportive transportation required (parking, transit, bike)

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Honolulu/Waikiki

Pedestrian Place

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Pedestrian Place

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Pedestrian Place

Miami Beach, FL

Winter Park, FL

Pedestrian Place

- Mixed use including residential
- May include gathering PLACES
- Pedestrians present at busy times
- Motor vehicles present, do not dominate

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Gold Hill

Pedestrian Tolerant

- All land uses except freeway & certain special uses (airport runway, garbage dump, etc.)
- Utilitarian walking & rambling only
- Motor vehicles present, may tend to dominate

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Redmond Pedestrian Tolerant

Longmont

Pedestrian Tolerant

Pedestrian Tolerant

Maui



Pedestrian Tolerant

Maui

Pedestrian Intolerant

- Any land use
- Little or no walking
- Motor vehicles dominate
- Unsafe, unpleasant







Anywhere, USA

Pedestrian Intolerant



Pedestrian Intolerant

Hawaii Island

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Pedestrian Tolerant

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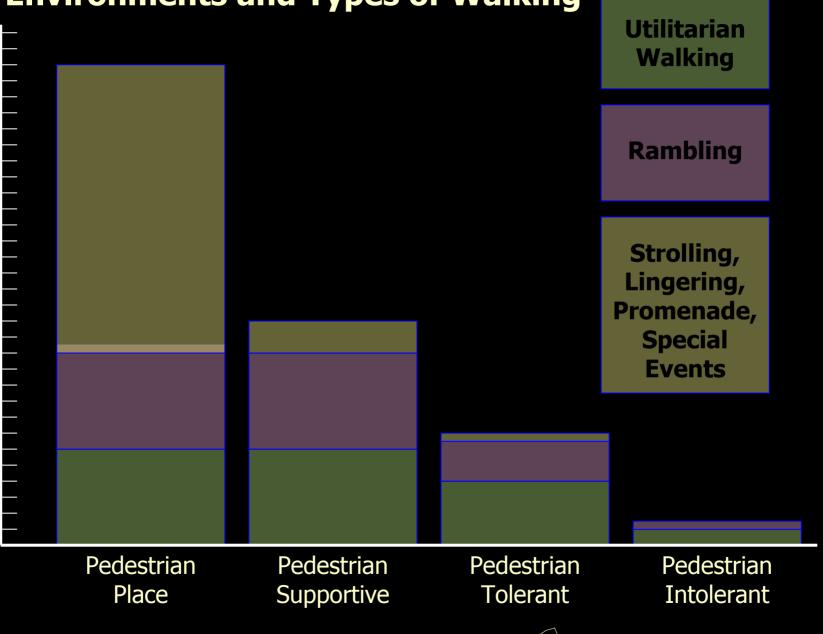
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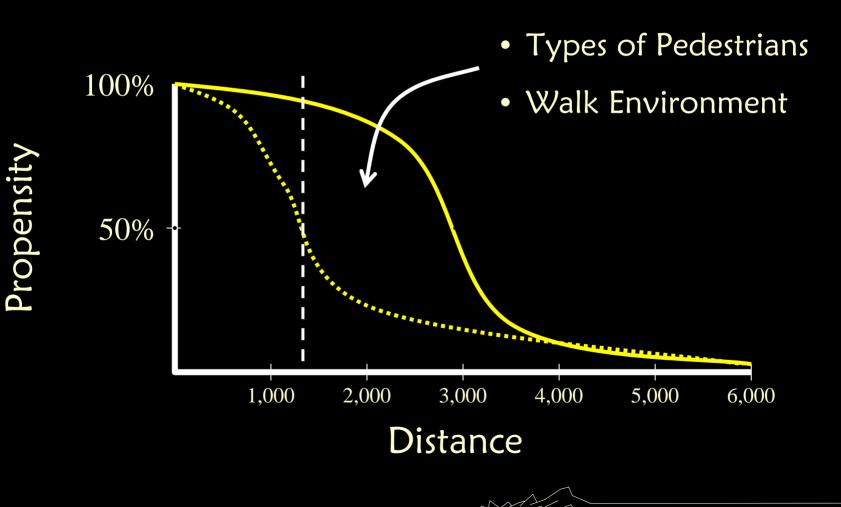
Walk Environments and Types of Walking

Number of Pedestrians



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Pedestrian Walk Distance

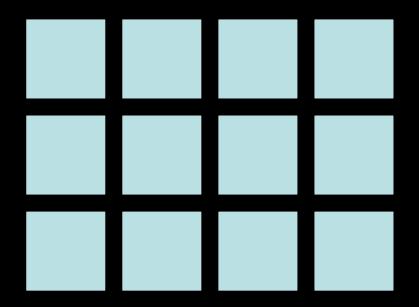


Additional Factors: "Pedestrian Oriented"

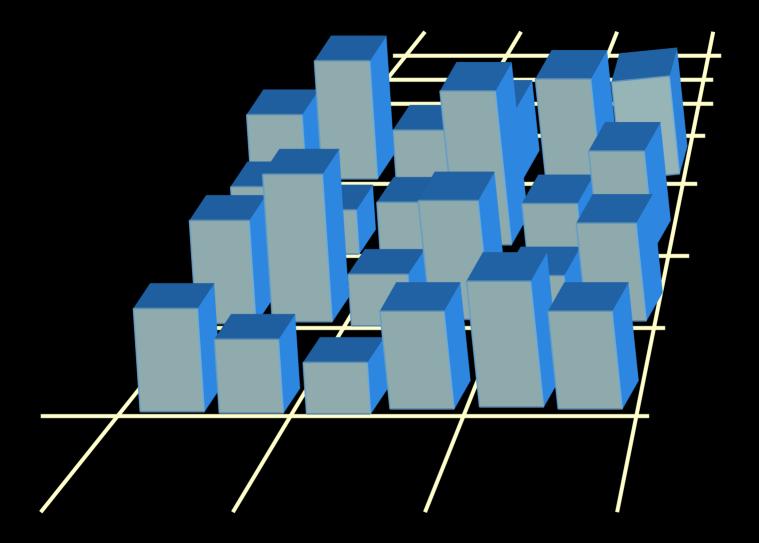
- Street design & space allocation
- Proportion of street room
- Character of street wall
- Traffic buffering
- Connectivity
- ➤ Weather protection: sun, rain
- Land use mix

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Pedestrian Networks



The ideal pedestrian "grain" is 250' to 350'





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Adopt "complete streets" design standards

Private development

Public works projects (context sensitive)

- Apply concurrency/adequate public facility requirements to development projects
- Designate "safe routes to school"
- Focus <u>public</u> investment in high priority pedestrian districts and school routes
- Get serious about maintenance

Setting Priorities

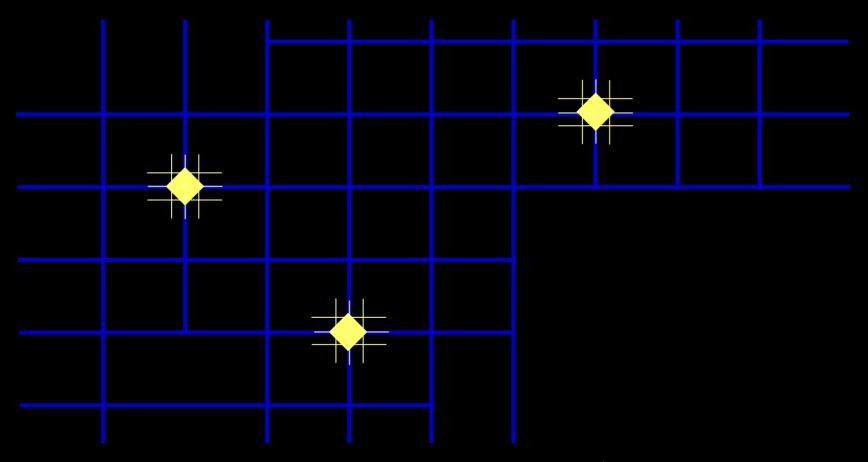
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Real-World Pedestrian Structure (Nodes and Corridors)





Winter Park

Getting Serious About Maintenance

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Pedestrian Maintenance

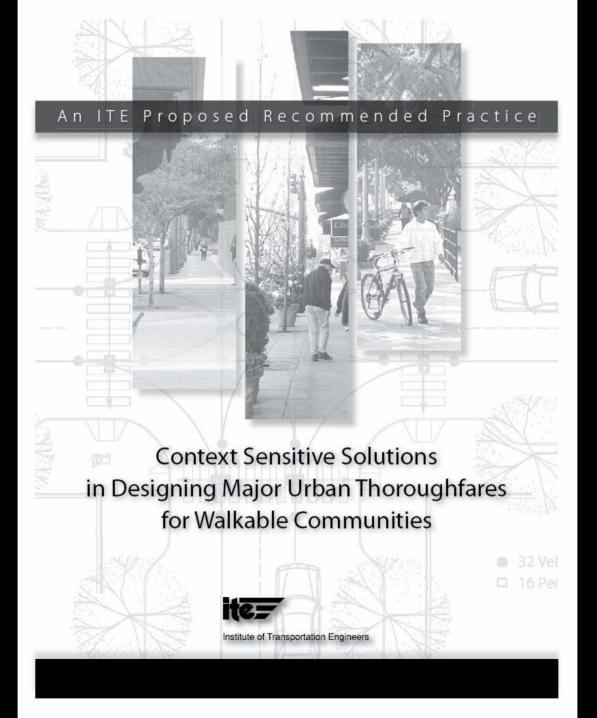
- Routine repair and rehabilitation
- Tree root toe trips
- Winter snow removal



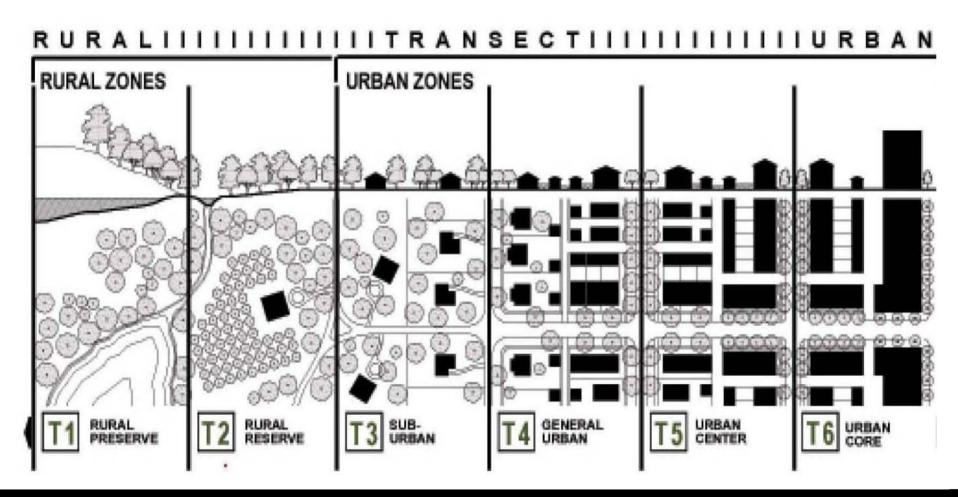
Complete Streets – Design Standards

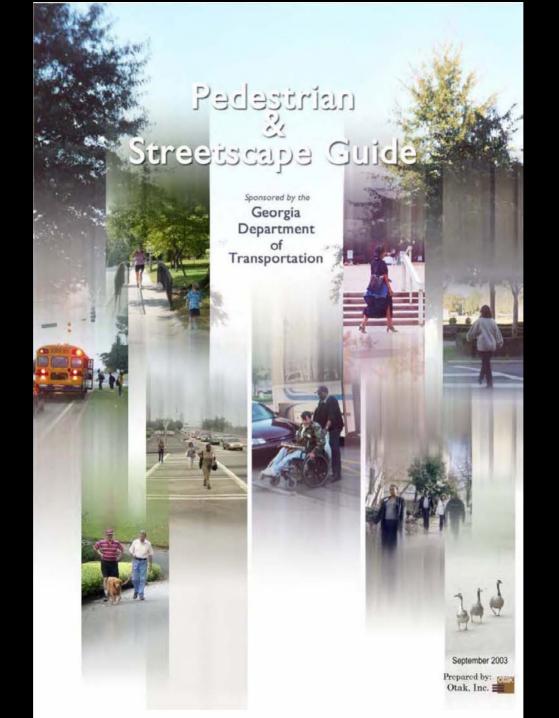
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Design Reflecting Context





Top 4 Pedestrian Design Issues

- 1. Continuous sidewalks both sides of street
- 2. Street crossings
 - Shorten crossings
 - Slow traffic
- 3. Need for <u>urban</u> sidewalk standards
- 4. Angled curb ramps

1. Continuous Sidewalks



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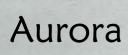
Sidewalks should be on both sides of the street and continuous



2. Street Crossings

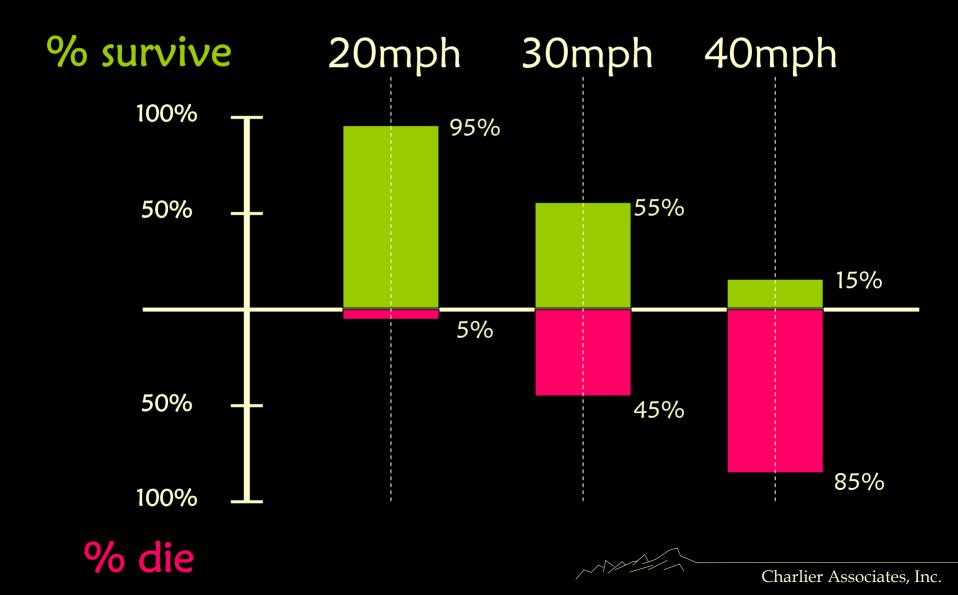


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Pedestrian Survival Rates – Vehicle Speeds

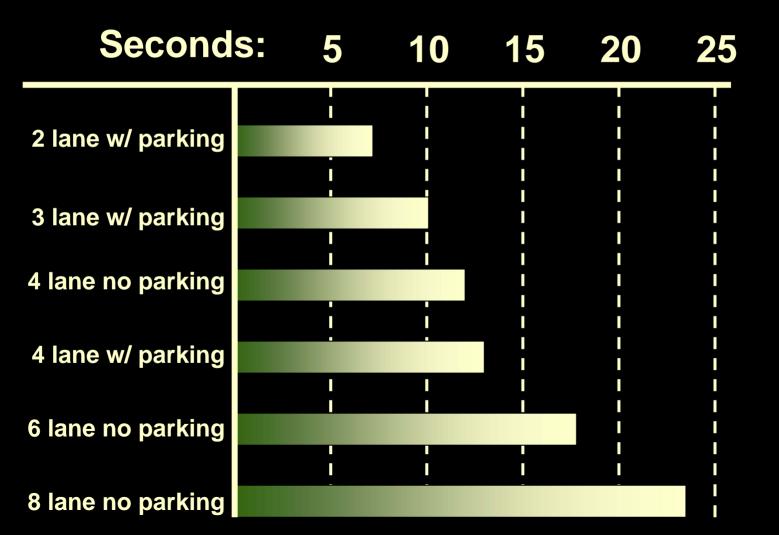


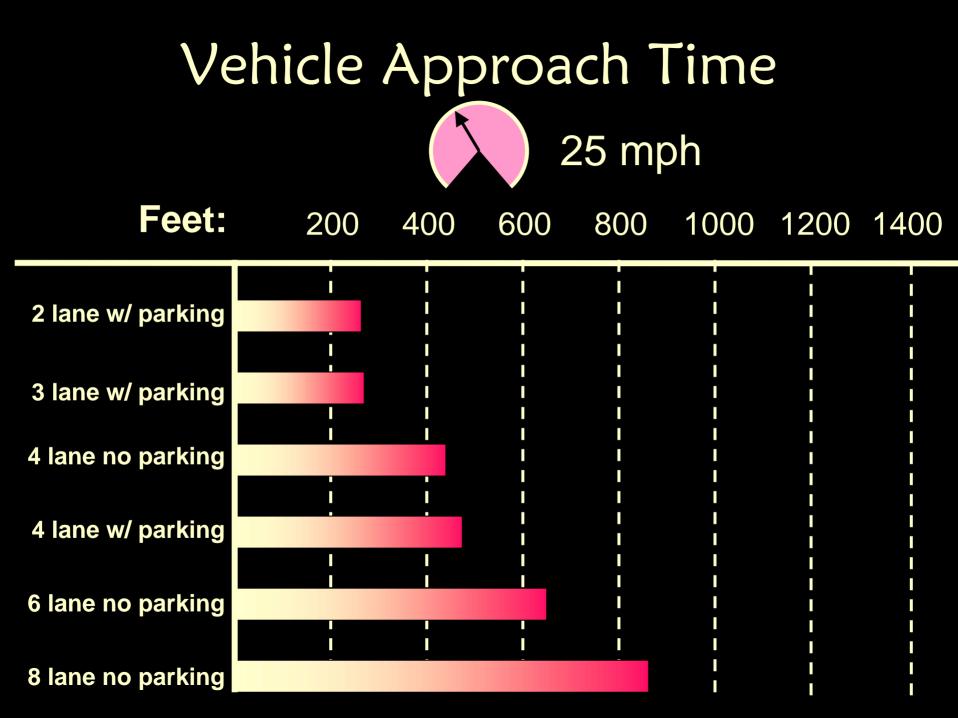


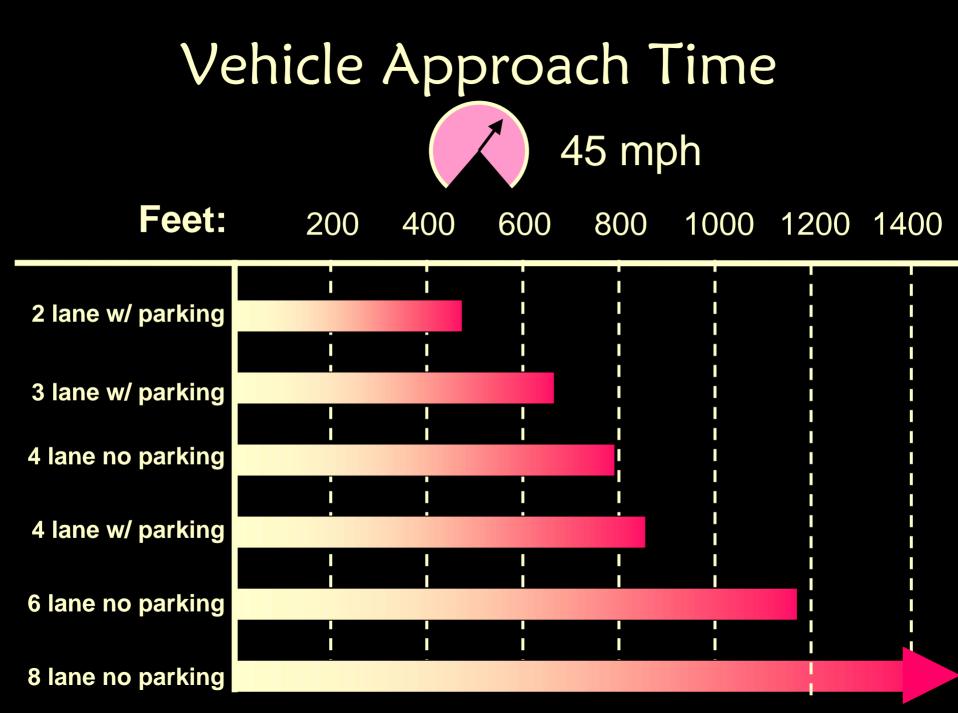
Pedestrian Crossing Time

Curb Extensions: YES

Lane Width: 12 ft | Walk Speed: 250 fpm

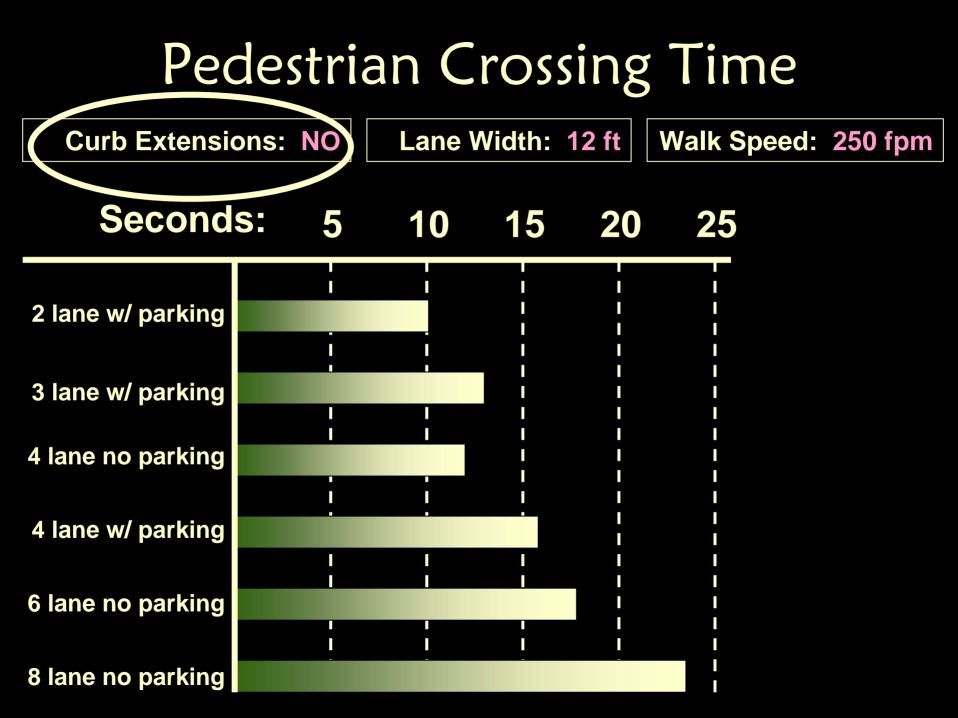




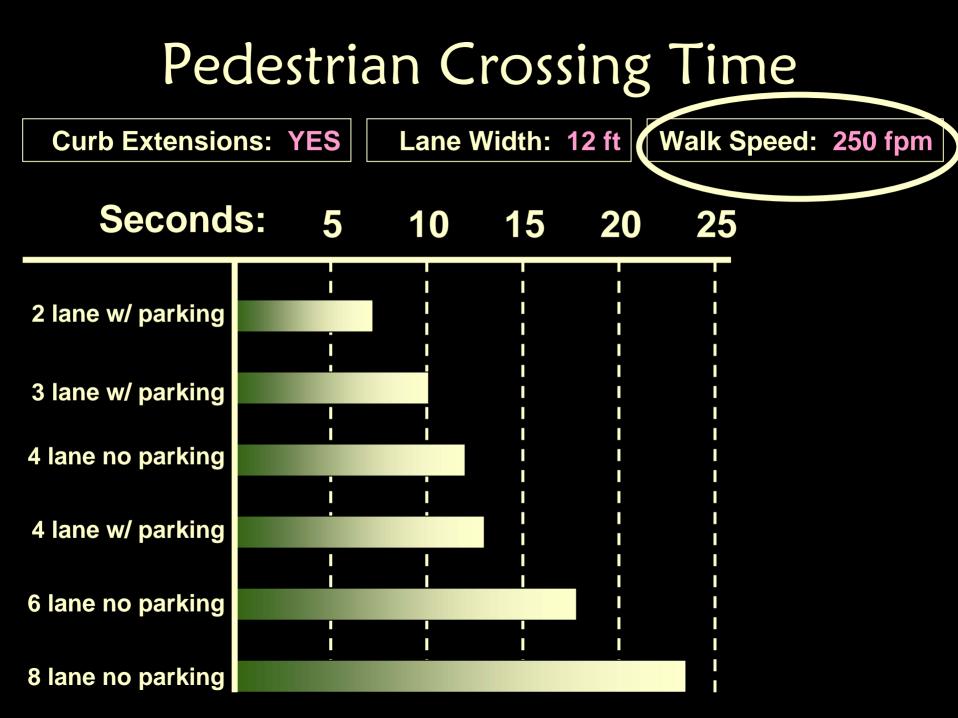


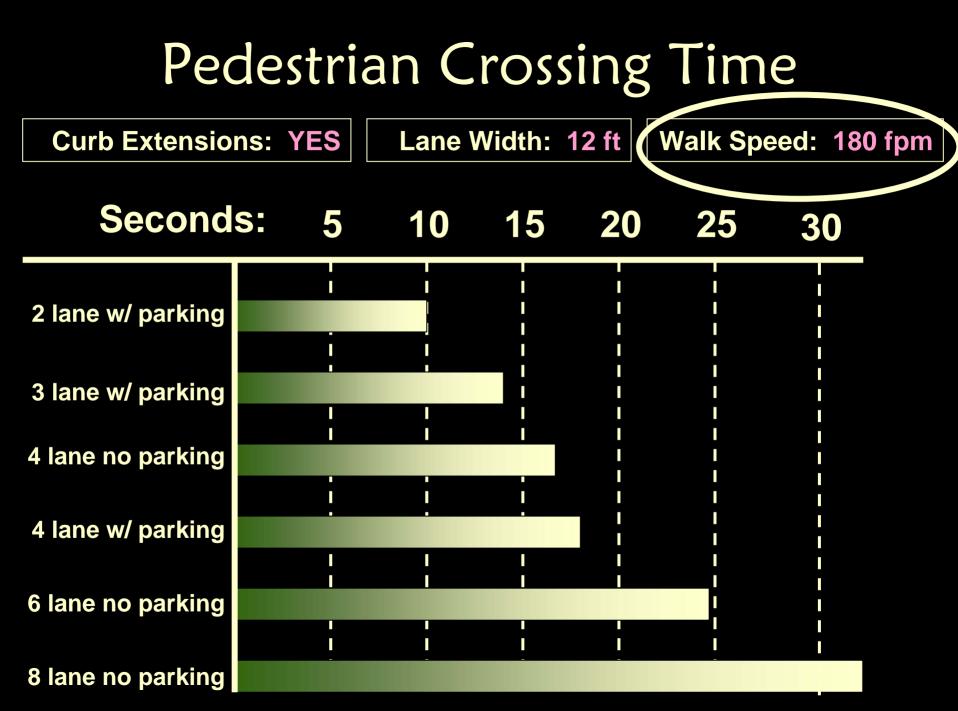


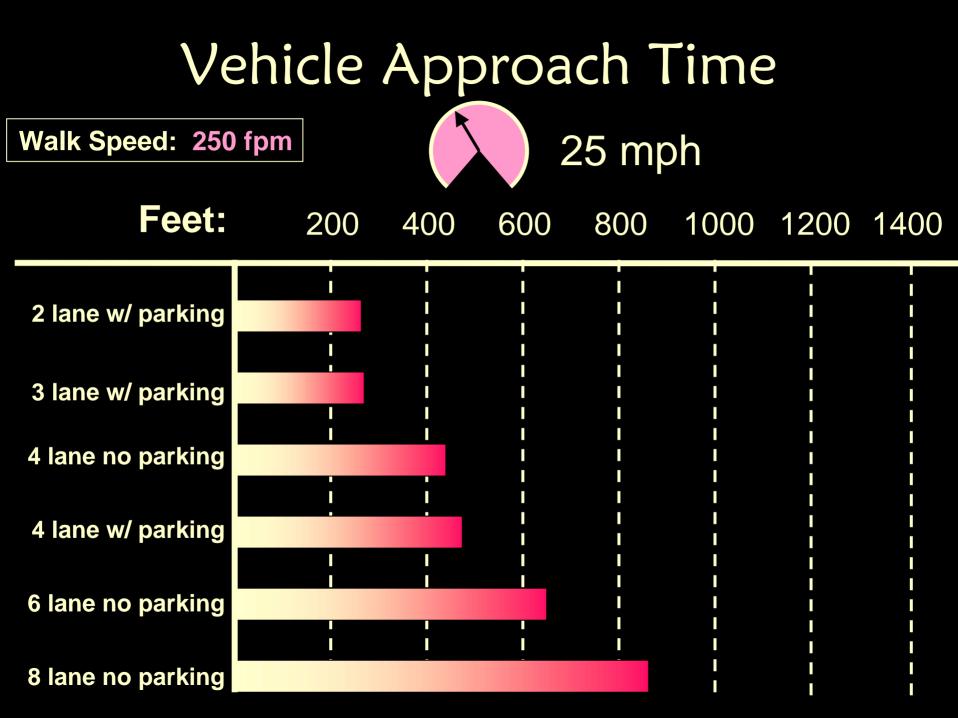


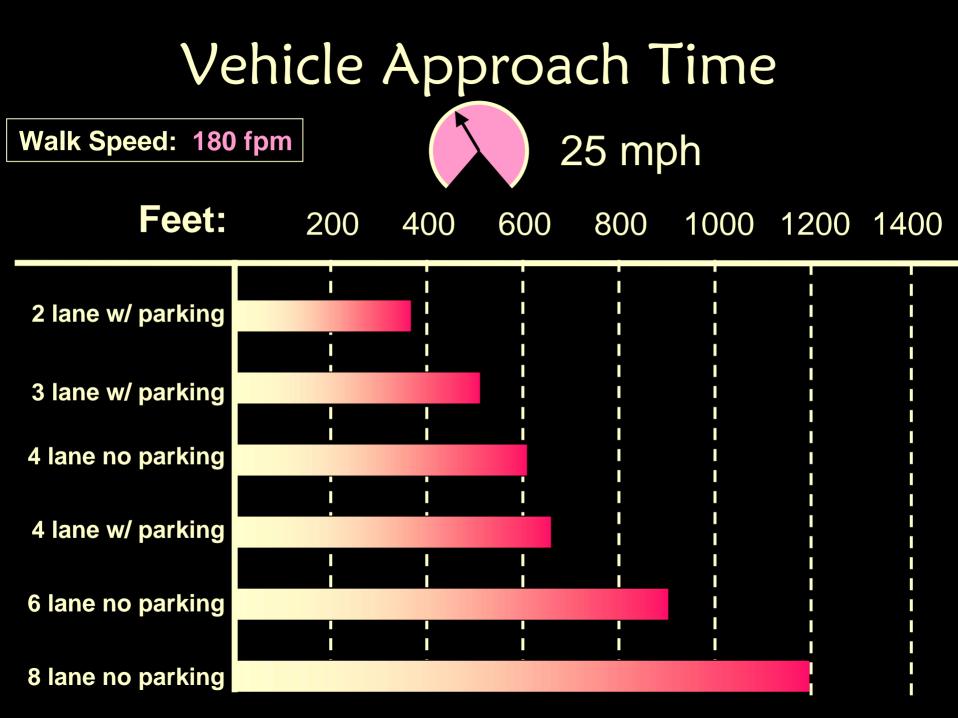


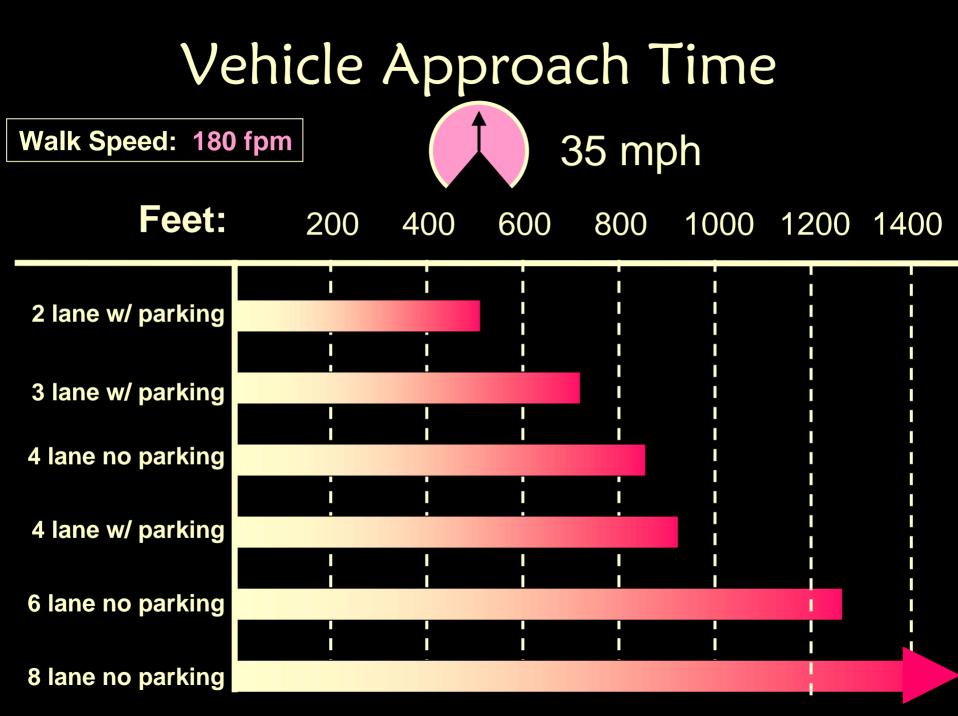










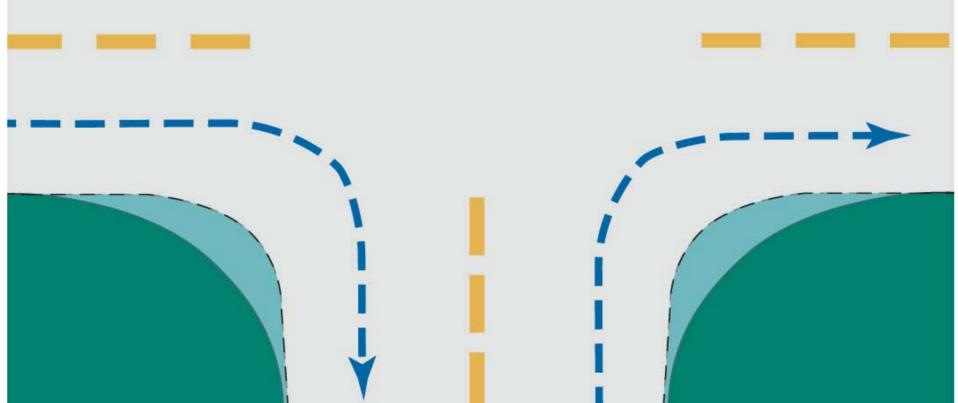




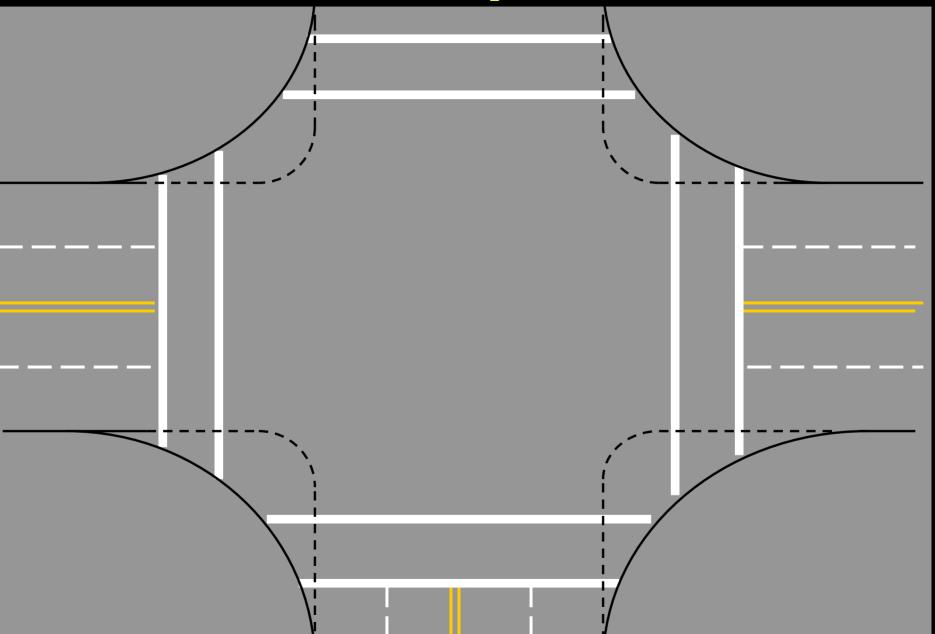




Keep Turning Radii Tight

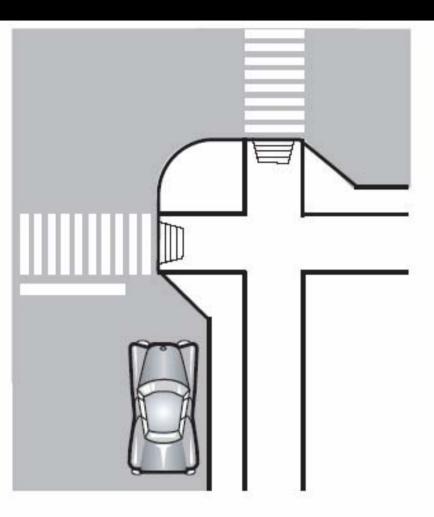


Crosswalks are pushed back



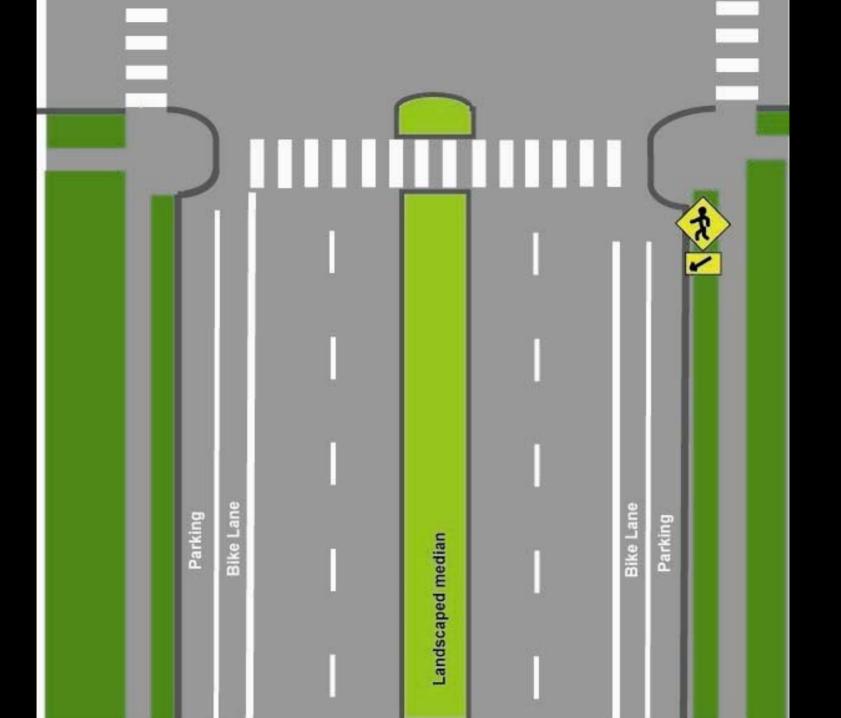
Effect of large radius on crosswalk:

Additional area to cross + Higher speed turns



Pair of perpendicular curb ramps with curb extensions and on-street parking Pair of perpendicular curb ramps aligning with crosswalks









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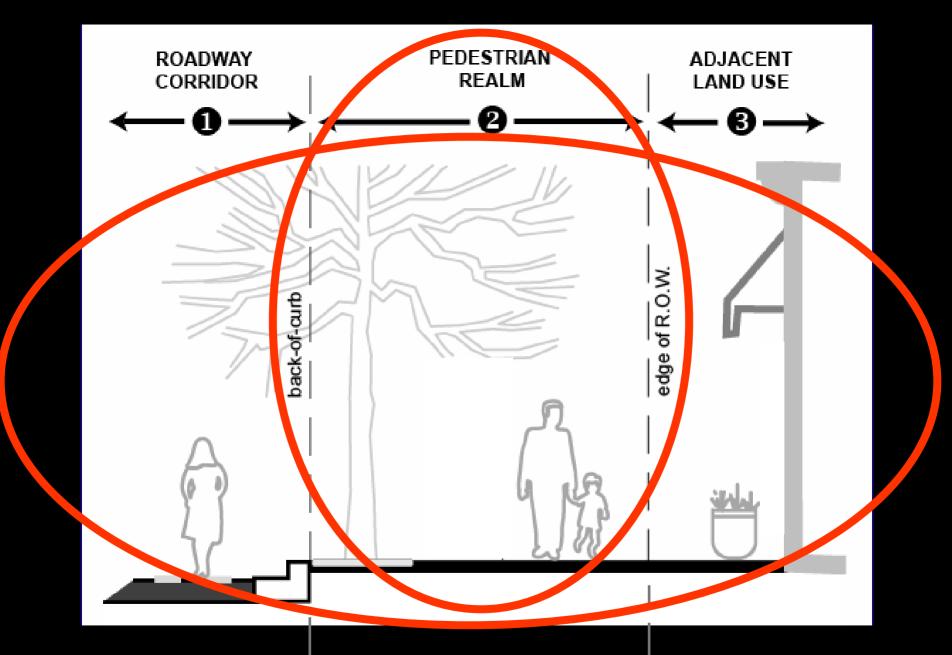






3. Urban Design Standards

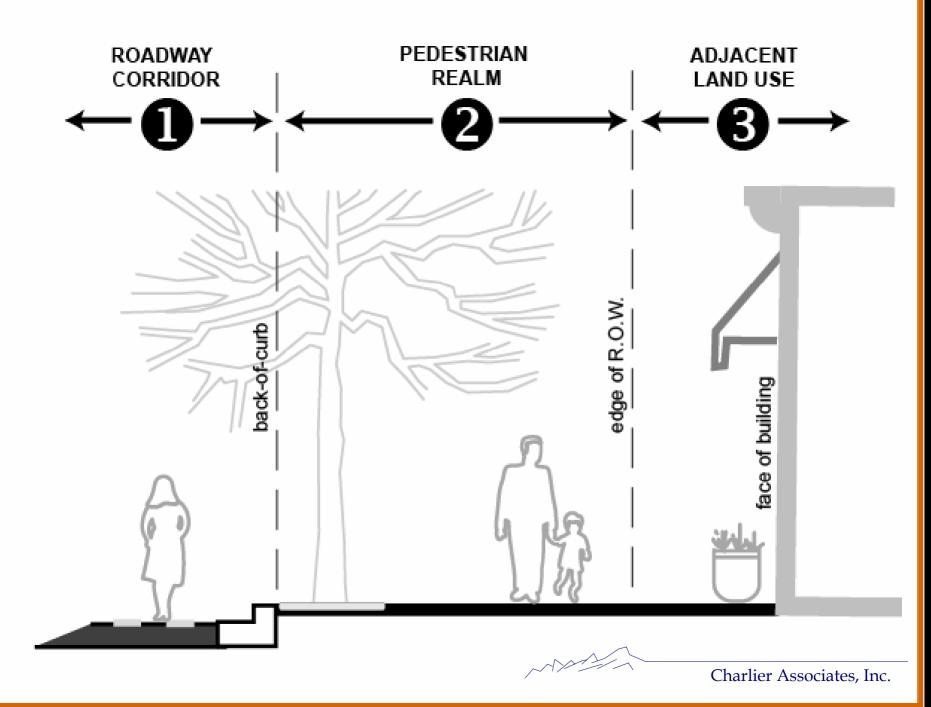


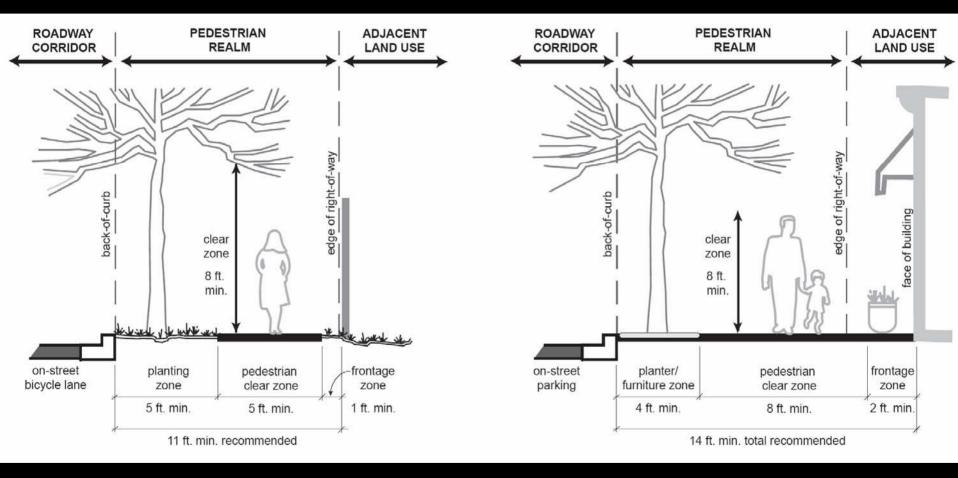


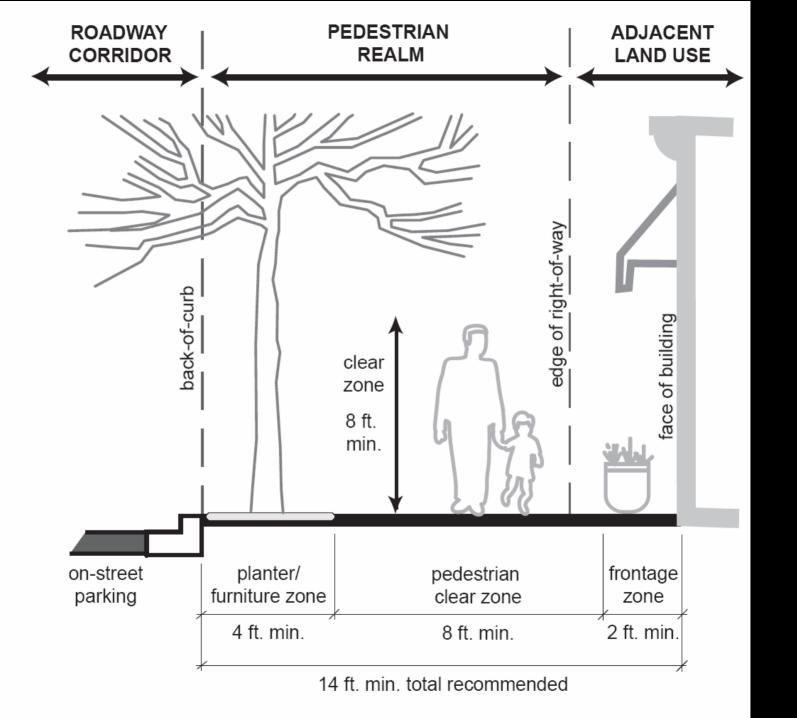
Traveled Way

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Context Zones







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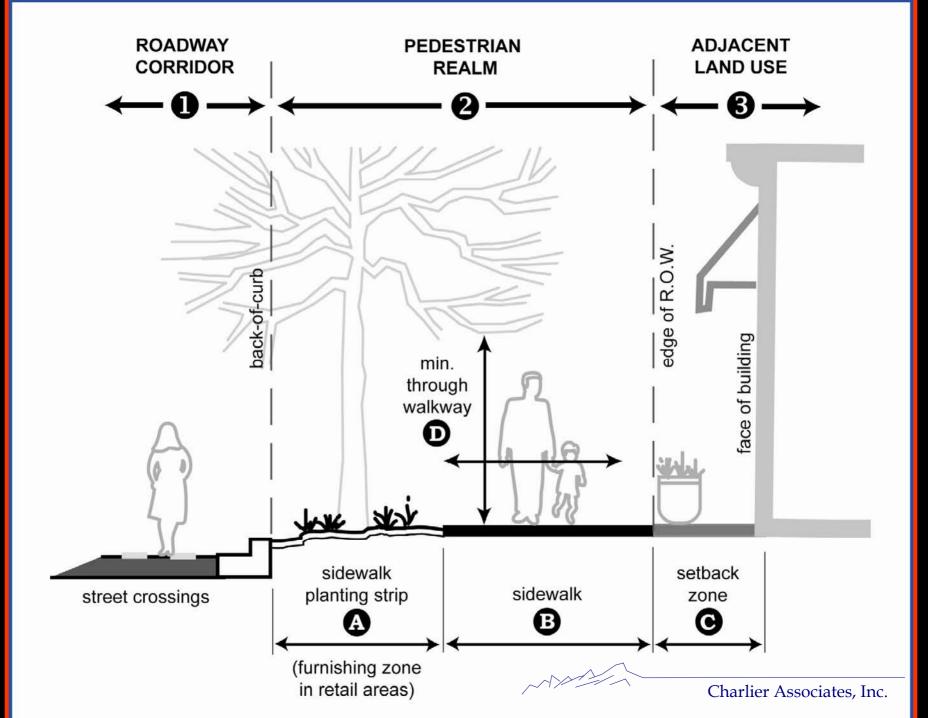


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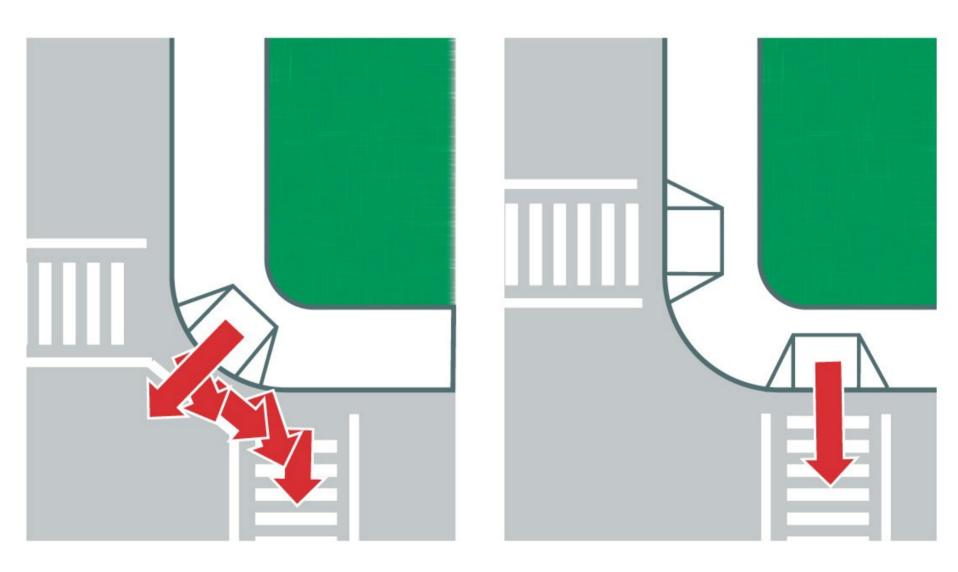
4. Modern Curb Ramps





Diagnoal Curb Ramp

Perpendicular Curb Ramp





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Bicycle & Non-Motorized Systems

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Practical Non-Motorized Strategies

- Build a spine route an iconic corridor
- Formally approve parallel redundancy
- Designate primary & secondary bike corridors and prioritize public spending
- Map missing links
- Create route IDs for primary corridors
- Take advantage of modern design
- Consider road diets
- Get serious about maintenance
- Use the Web to map/promote bicycling

Build a Spine Route (Iconic Corridor)

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Formally Approve Parallel Redundancy

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"Type A" Cyclist:

- comfortable in traffic
- prefers direct but safe routes
- rides with or without bicycle facilities present

<section-header> "Type B/C" Cyclist: less skilled adults and children intimidated by traffic

 prefer designated facilities (bike lanes and multi-use paths)

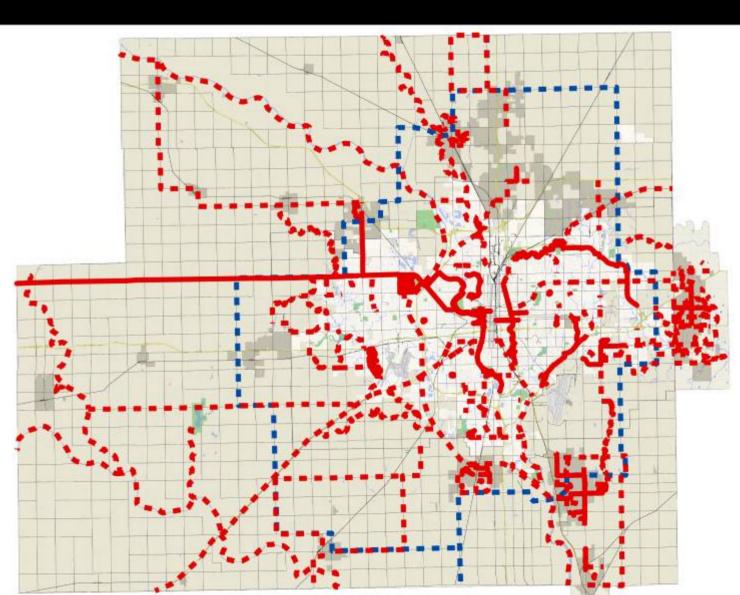
Designate Primary & Secondary Corridors & Prioritize Funding

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Previously Proposed Facilities

- 421 miles
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- O miles
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- O miles paved shoulders



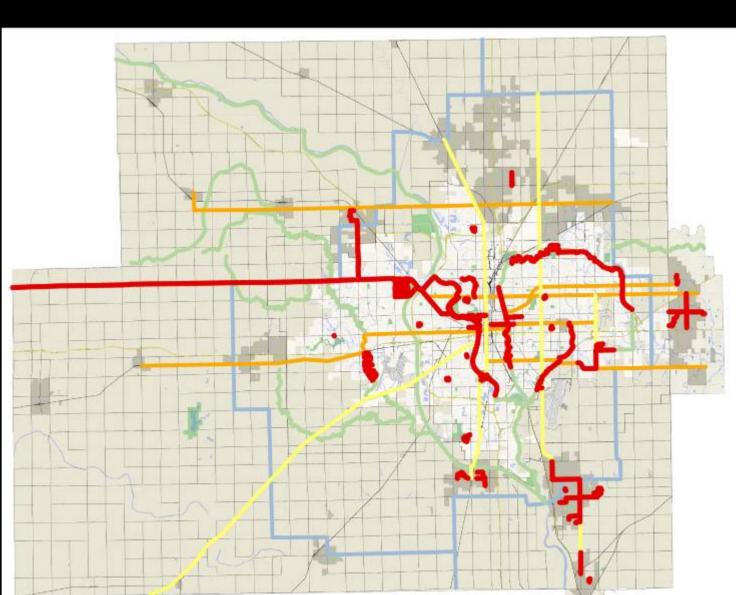
Importance of Network Connectivity:



- distance and safety impediments are the major obstacles to overcome
- facility type may change based upon context
- transitions need to be seamless

Primary Corridor System

- 164 miles off-road paths
- 67 miles
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- 18 miles paved shoulders



Map Missing Links

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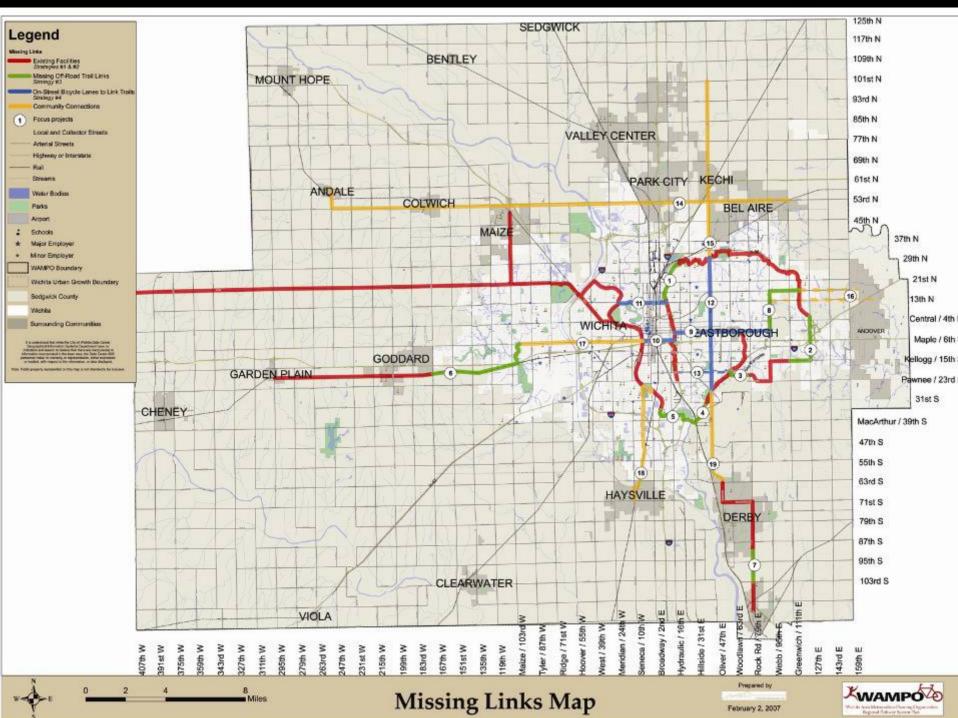
pathway users focus group



pathway users corridor workshop



pathway users corridor workshop





Create IDs for Primary Corridors

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Apply Modern Design

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Paved Shoulders, Pathways or Bike Lanes?

AASHTO &
 MUTCD
 guidelines

Drop or dash bike lane striping in advance of intersections

Position bike lanes to left of right-turning vehicular lanes



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Consider Road Diets

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"Road Diet"

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Crash Studies: Vehicle-Vehicle

U.S.DOT FHWA

Highway Safety Information System -- Before and After Testing

Crash frequency Road diets: 6% lower

Crash severity No difference

Crash type

 Road diets had a higher percentage of angle crashes
 Road diets had a lower percentage of rear-end crashes

Source: HSIS, FHWA

University Place, WA Bridgeport Way: 5-lane to 4-lane

before



Results

The City has analyzed speed, accident, and economic development data collected before and after the construction of the Bridgeport Way improvements between 35th and 40th Streets. The project's traffic calming features reduced speeds and crashes while increasing business activity. Average speed decreased by 13 percent and traffic accidents were reduced by 60 percent (see table below).

Safety Measures	Before	After	Change
Posted Speed Limit	6 km/h (35 mi/h)	56 km/h (35 mi/h)	Same
Average Actual Speed	1 km/h (37.6 mi/h)	52 km/h (32.6 mi/h)	-13 %
Average Annual Crashes	19	8 (first year)	-60 %

Table 1. Data from before and after the Bridgeport Way redesign.

"Road Diets" Capacity Comparisons

Roadway Section	Change AI	OT (Before	e) (After) Not
 Lake Washington Blvd., Kirkland, Washington South of 83 	4 lanes to 2 + TWLTL + bike lanes	23,000	25,913
 Lake Washington Blvd, Kirkland, Washington Near downtown 	4 lanes to 2+ TWLTL + bike lanes	11,000	12,610
 Electric Avenue, Lewistown, Pennsylvania 	4 lanes to 2 + TWLTL + bike lanes	13,000	14,500
4. Burcham Road,	41	11.14.00	
East Lansing, Michigan	4 lanes to 2 + TWLTL + bike lanes	11-14,00	0 11-14,000
5. Grand River Boulevard,		100400000000	120120000000
East Lansing, Michigan	4 lanes to 2 + TWLTL + bike lanes	23,000	23,000
6. St. George Street,			
Toronto, Ontario, Canada	4 lanes to 2 + bike lanes + wide sidewal	ks 15,000	15,000
7. 120th Avenue, NE			
Bellevue, Washington	4 lanes to 2 + TWLTL	16,900	16,900
8. Montana (commecial street)	4 lanes to 2 lanes + TWLTL	18,500	18,500
Bellevue, Washington	4 lanes to 2 + median + bike lanes		
9. Main Street	4 lanes to 2 lanes + TWLTL	20,000	18,000
Santa Monica, California	4 lanes to 2 + median + bike lanes		

Source: Walkable Communities Inc.

Iowa DOT

4-lane to 3-lane Conversions

Roads with less than 20,000 vehicles per day:

- 20%-30% reduction in crashes (due to reduced conflict points and improved sight distance)
- More user friendly to elderly drivers
- LOS remained the same (intersection delay increased from 6.2 sec/veh to 6.7 sec/veh)
- Improved emergency response time
- Improved pedestrian safety

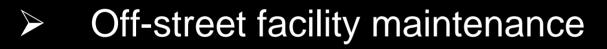
Get Serious About Maintenance

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Maintenance

- Spot improvement program
 - Standard reporting and responsibility assignment
- On-street facility maintenance
 - Sweep right hand edges
 - Maintain drainage grates





- Remove loose material from pathway surface
- Fix rough surfaces and post warning signs
- Prioritize snow removal





Use the Web to Map & Promote Bike Network

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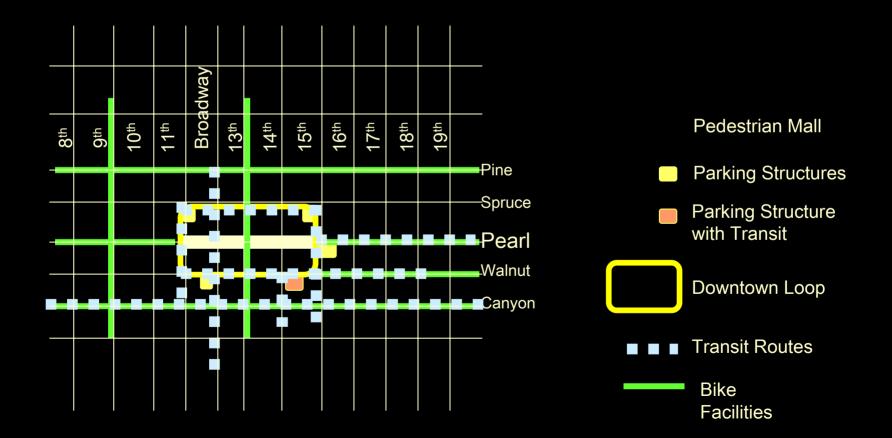
An "Intermodal" Example

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Pearl Street "Pedestrian Mall"

















Boulder's "pedestrian mall" works because ...

... it is an integral part of an intermodal system

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