

County Highway 32 (11th Ave SW) Pedestrian and Safety Improvement Project

Join us for an Open House on Monday, February 27th from 4:30 to 6:30pm at the Forest Lake City Hall (1408 Lake Street S)

This Open House is the second opportunity to learn about the County Highway 32 Pedestrian and Safety Improvement Project. With the input gathered last summer, the project team has identified four alternative solutions that you can preview and react to. You are invited to attend the Open House on February 27th from 4:30 to 6:30 at the City of Forest Lake City Hall. If you are unable to attend in person, you can review, participate, and provide feedback online at the link below between February 27th and March 20th.



For more information visit the project website at www.co.washington.mn.us/county32 or contact Washington County Project Manager, Ryan Hoefs at 651-430-4314 or Ryan.Hoefs@co.washington.mn.us



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Previous Engagement Activities



WHAT WE HEARD

Stories and comments were shared with specific safety concerns and individual experiences along the County Highway 32 corridor. Support for dedicated bicycle and pedestrian facilities was clearly heard. Needed improvements at various intersections and overall pavement condition throughout the study area were noted. Natural resources are abundant in the area including lakes and wetlands. Feedback from the first Open House can be found on the project website.



WHAT ARE THE COMMON THEMES?

- Dedicated bicycle and pedestrian facilities
- Traffic safety
- Access management
- Pavement Condition



The two biggest concerns:

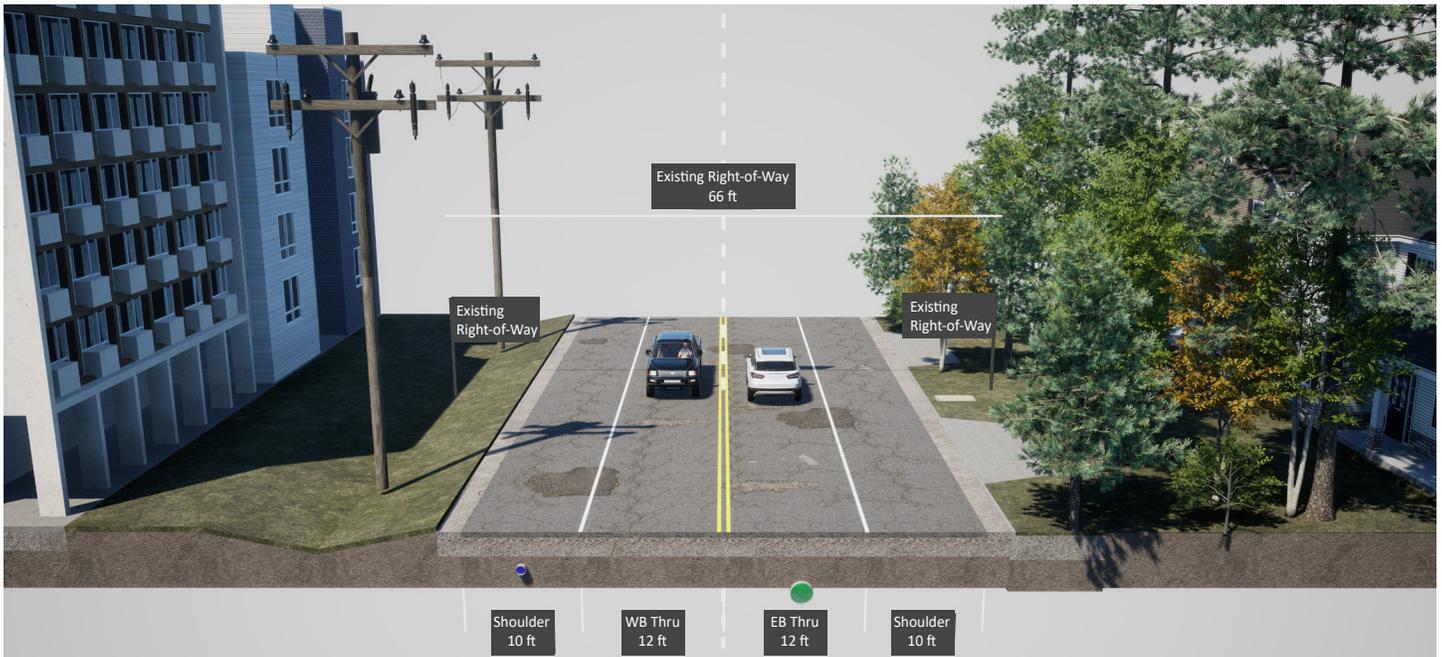
- **Conflicting Movements** between all transportation modes
- **Safety** for all modes, including motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists.

County Highway 32 Pedestrian and Safety Improvement Project Update

The project team has been exploring design solutions for County Highway 32. The Open House on February 27th will introduce conceptual design alternatives and technical criteria that is being used to evaluate them. You will have the opportunity to learn more about what is being considered and provide your input. The input you share at the Open House and/or online questionnaire will be used to further inform the alternatives, ensuring that design solutions respond to the community's needs.

County Highway 32 Design Alternatives

Four conceptual design alternatives have been developed with varying degrees of physical impact and future maintenance requirements. Alternatives provide varied trail/sidewalk design on the north and south side of the highway, inclusion of a center left-turn lane or raised median, and varied intersection improvements. Each alternative will be presented as a conceptual design layout and as a computer-generated cross section, similar to the graphic below. This graphic highlights the current conditions of County Highway 32.



Technical Evaluation Criteria

The following criterion is being used to evaluate the technical performance of each of the design alternatives. These criteria were selected based on our technical review of the existing conditions along the corridor coupled with the feedback we received during the first phase of engagement. Each alternative will be analyzed against the nine technical criteria identified below. The results will be combined with the community's evaluation gathered at the Open House to inform the next phase of the project.

Corridor Operations

What is the delay experienced when accessing Highway 32 from side streets

Ped/Bike Accessibility

How does the alternative provide dedicated space separate from the roadway

Vehicular Safety

How are conflict points reduced and crash severity/risk reduced

Access

How is access maintained or modified along the corridor

Driver Expectation

How would the alternative meet the drivers expectations

Cost

What are the relative (planning level) cost estimates for the alternatives

Right-of-Way

What are the estimated relative impacts to private property

Environmental

What are the estimated relative impacts to wetlands

Utility

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